

WEATHER FORECASTS

For 24 hours ending 5 p.m. Sunday.
Victoria and vicinity—Increasing easterly and southerly winds, unsettled and mild, with rain.
Lower Mainland—Easterly winds, fresh to strong on the Gulf, unsettled and mild with rain.

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WHERE TO GO TO-NIGHT

Pantages—Vandell.
Dominion—The Spy.
Royal—Marguerite Clark.
Variety—George Beben.
Columbia—Maciste.

SIXTEEN PAGES

MR. WILSON MAY MAKE STATEMENT SOON ON RUSSIAN SITUATION

Views Are Being Exchanged With Japan, But American Government Is Doubtful of the Need of Intervention by Japan in the Siberian Field

Washington, March 16.—There were intimations in official circles to-day that President Wilson might make an early declaration on the Russian situation. It was not indicated what might be its form or its manner of delivery.

The attitude of the United States towards intervention in Siberia by Japan, whether she acts independently or in conjunction with the other powers, has not undergone any change, it was said to-day at the State Department. Officials remained reticent regarding Japan's expression of her intentions, but it was indicated that an exchange of views was continuing, and from this it was deduced that Japan has not determined definitely on a course. It was suggested that final decision might be delayed until the new Japanese Ambassador, Count Ishii, reaches the United States, but the probability of that was discounted at the Department.

It is known that the United States Government has been doubtful of the need of intervention by Japan, many officers of this Government fearing that such action might bring together the various factions in Russia to combat the Japanese—even if they were supported by the armies of the Entente and however good their intentions.

No Troops Sent.

London, March 16.—The Japanese Premier, Count Terauchi, speaking in the Diet yesterday, characterized as untrue a report that a small body of Entente troops had been dispatched towards Siberia, according to a Reuter dispatch from Tokyo.

CANADA'S EXPORTS AT HIGH FIGURE

Food Shipments During February Just Past Far Above Year Ago

Ottawa, March 16.—A tremendous increase in exports of Canadian products in February, 1918, as compared with February, 1917, is shown in figures prepared by the Customs Department and the Cost-of-Living Branch of the Department of Labor.

The exports of butter increased from about 50,000 pounds to 400,000 pounds; of cheese, from 3,000,000 pounds to about 5,000,000 pounds; eggs, from 25,000 to 134,000 dozen; beef, from 1,500,000 to 10,500,000 pounds.

The exports of fresh, frozen and pickled pork alone showed a decrease. In February, 1917, there was exported 960,000 pounds and this year only 113,000 pounds. This was largely due to the fact that pork is converted into bacon or ham for export.

FIFTY MEMBERS OF NEW PARLIAMENT ARE SWORN IN AT OTTAWA

Ottawa, March 16.—Approximately fifty members of the new Parliament signed the register and took the oath in the Commons chamber between 12 and 1 o'clock to-day. Among the first to sign the roll were Hon. Arthur Meighen, Hon. Hugh Guthrie, Colonel Hugh Clark and Hon. F. B. McCurdy. At 1 o'clock several other members of the Cabinet who had been in attendance at a Cabinet meeting went to the Museum Building to sign the roll and be sworn. The ceremony commenced to-day in order to make it possible to have a large body of members who will arrive on Sunday and Monday sworn between 9 and 11 o'clock Monday forenoon.

KILLED BY CAR.

Halifax, March 15.—A. E. Craig, manager of the Arlington Hotel, Westville, N. S., was killed at Westville last night. He was in a sleigh driving with three others from Westville to Stellarton when a car of the Pictou Electric Railway ran into the sleigh. Three companions of Mr. Craig escaped with a shaking up. A verdict of accidental death was returned by a coroner's jury.

Dutch Government Prohibits Sailings for United Kingdom

Copenhagen, March 16.—A dispatch to The Politiken from Amsterdam states that the Dutch Government yesterday prohibited Dutch steamships from sailing for ports in the United Kingdom.

Number in Uniform Under Canadian Army Act Nearing 28,000

Ottawa, March 16.—Up to noon Thursday 27,545 men had reported for service under Military Service Act. This is an advance of 1,409 over the total reporting up to noon on Thursday last week.

RAID NEAR ARMENTIERES BY BRITISH WAS SUCCESS, PRISONERS BEING TAKEN

London, March 16.—"Welsh troops carried out a successful raid last night in the neighborhood of Armentieres and captured fifteen prisoners and two machine guns," says a report received from Field-Marshal Haig's headquarters in France and issued by the War Office here this afternoon.

"Hostile artillery was active southeast of Ypres and in the neighborhood of the Menin Road and south of Houthulst Forest."

Paris, March 16.—Active artillery fighting on the Verdun front and on the front in the Meuse is reported in a communication issued by the War Office here this afternoon.

Berlin, March 16.—The British forces on the Franco-Belgian front were extremely active during the evening yesterday and also at night, notably in the region running south from Arras as far as St. Quentin, army headquarters announces to-day. The text of the statement reads:

"Front of Crown Prince Rupprecht.—During the evening and at night the British were very active, especially between Arras and St. Quentin. "Great losses were caused among the population of Menin and Halluch (southeast of Ypres), situated behind our front, by the enemy's fire and dropping of bombs."

"Army group of the German Crown Prince—Near Rheims, on both banks of the Meuse and on the Lorraine front near Biemont the artillery fighting was heavy during the day. On both sides of Ornes it continued to be heavy during the night."

"Elsewhere there is nothing to report."

SEEKS OUTLET FOR SURPLUS PRODUCE

Evaporating Plant and Shipments to Prairies to Be Investigated

The increased Food Production Committee this morning, in a representative gathering of over fifty citizens, went on record favorable to the investigation of the establishment of a community evaporating and canning plant here.

Mayor Todd, who moved the resolution, said there were a great many matters to be considered with regard to the distribution of foodstuffs and their preservation, and it might be that the expense would prove too great. Any rate, however, he thought the meeting would be wise to gather data on the subject.

Alderman Dinisale seconded the motion and it received the support of several women delegates, who stated they would welcome any movement on behalf of the housewives to preserve perishable produce.

Alderman Sargent, Chairman of the Committee, stated that he would take time to consider the personnel of the committee, which by unanimous vote he was asked to nominate.

Surplus Foodstuffs.

A similar course was adopted with regard to Mayor Todd's motion for a committee to meet the Provincial Minister of Railways and Agriculture and to ascertain what steps could be taken to secure the transportation of vegetables, fruit and other surplus produce in carload lots to the prairies and to secure special freight rates for mixed carloads.

Alderman Sangster seconded the resolution. His Worship stated that he had already taken preliminary steps with regard to both of these two issues, and would shortly have some data on the subject.

FOREIGNERS TRIED TO RUSH JAIL AT TIMMINS, ONTARIO

Timmins, Ont., March 15.—A mob of 600 foreigners attempted to rush the jail here on Thursday after Magistrate Atkinson had refused bail to a Russian who had been arrested on a charge of having made seditious statements in the Finland Hall. The magistrate later granted cash bail of \$2,000 and the man was released, avoiding further trouble. The man said he had been at work on munitions at Brantford.

REPORT ON SALMON FISHERIES OF B. C.

Commission Which Investigated Recommends Public Treasury Share in Profits

REQUIREMENT OF BRITISH CITIZENSHIP URGED

Ottawa, March 16.—The final report of the Fisheries Commission of 1917, which investigated the salmon fisheries of British Columbia, has been presented to Hon. C. C. Ballantyne, Minister of Marine. Some interesting suggestions are made by the Commissioners, W. Sanford Evans, who was chairman; H. B. Thomson, and F. T. James.

In the opinion of the Commissioners all the conditions surrounding the industry should be stabilized and inefficient use of capital and labor obviated or prevented. The solution of the problem of possible excessive profits to individuals, they say, is not to be found in permitting more capital or labor than can efficiently perform the work to engage in the industry, but rather a return to the establishment of conditions that are stable and sound. The salmon industry, the Commissioners believe, should contribute to the public treasury, through graduated license fees, that proportion of its profits in excess of a reasonable return for capital and enterprise.

Government education is in more direct and intimate touch with the fisheries than is the case with any other important national industry, says the report, and it states that the fisheries need not only to be regulated and inspected, but also to be made to yield the greatest possible amount of national wealth. All appointments to the fisheries inspection staff should be placed under the Civil Service Commission and patronage eliminated, the investigators say.

Beginning with 1919 the Commissioners recommend that attached licenses be done away with, that only forms of gill net licenses be issued without reference to any canner, that competence as a fisherman be established as a qualification for a license, and that British citizenship be insisted upon.

They suggest a reconsideration of the administrative system so as to make it more effective in dealing with the Pacific fisheries, to establish co-ordination and to avoid overlapping activities.

SPLIT OCCURS IN LENINE'S CABINET

Social Revolutionists of Left Denounce the Treaty With Germany

London, March 16.—A conflict occurred between the Maximalists and Social Revolutionists of the Left, who are members of the Council of the People's Commissaries, according to a report received here from the Petrograd telegraph agency. The Social Revolutionists refused to ratify the treaty of peace with Germany, and said they were resolved to resign the moment the treaty was ratified by the All-Russian Congress of Soviets at Moscow.

Defence Urged.

Moscow, March 16.—(Delayed.)—(By the Associated Press)—The newspapers here generally commend the disposition of the United States to refrain from joining any plan to disarm Russia.

A caucus of the Bolsheviks, while favoring signing of the German peace treaty, has resolved to approve the Council of the People's Commissaries. The caucus also condemned the German peace terms and declared it was necessary to restore order and organize for defence.

SWEDISH TRAWLERS AND ONE STEAMER SEIZED BY GERMANS

London, March 16.—A number of large Swedish trawlers and one of the largest Gothenburg steamships have been captured by German submarines off the Skaw, the northern extremity of Jutland, Denmark, and forced to go to Germany, according to a report printed by The Gothenburg Shipping Gazette and forwarded by the Exchange Telegraph correspondent at Copenhagen.

The steamship seized is the Princess Ineborg, from Gothenburg, the Copenhagen advices say. She was ordered to proceed to Kiel. Before sailing, it is added, the steamship had the promise of a safe conduct to Holland, to which country she was bound with a cargo of grain for the Belgian Relief Commission.

HOLLAND IS SAID TO HAVE AGREED TO LET ENTENTE HAVE SHIPS

One London Dispatch Says Netherlands Willing Ships Be Used in Danger Zone, But Another Dispatch Says She Objects to Such a Course

Amsterdam, March 16.—The Associated Press hears on excellent authority that the Dutch Government has accepted the demands of the Allied Governments relating to the use of Dutch ships in the danger zone.

London, March 16.—A reply from the Dutch Government to the Allies' announcement regarding the utilization of Dutch shipping is expected before Monday. According to information received here, it will propose an agreement for the use of Dutch ships and the understanding that they are not to be taken into the danger zone. The Allies will not assent to this and it is expected that the taking over of the ships on March 18 will proceed according to the programme.

Disorders on German Warships of Fleet Off Aaland Islands

Petrograd, March 15, via London, March 16.—Fresh disorders have occurred in the German fleet off the Aaland Islands, according to the Russian military newspaper Krasnaya Armia.

STEEL PLANT NEAR NEW WESTMINSTER

Council of That City Will Consider New York Men's Proposal

Vancouver, March 16.—A dispatch from a correspondent in Ottawa to The Vancouver Province says:

"Arrangements have been completed by New York capitalists for the establishment of a steel plant in British Columbia. A lease has been signed in Ottawa for a tract of the Indian Reserve on the North Arm of the Fraser River near New Westminster. The lease is for twenty-one years, renewable for twenty-one more."

"Work on the plant is to start in sixty days and the company is to commence with fifty tons of steel a day, the output to be increased to 100 tons. Steel billets, rods, plates, etc., will be rolled and the electrical process will be used in the manufacture."

"The principals will leave New York in a week's time for the coast. A. W. Gray, Mayor of New Westminster, is interested in the project."

Particulars Declined.

Over the telephone this morning Mayor Gray confirmed the above dispatch, but declined further particulars. The negotiations had not yet reached a stage, he said, where it seemed advisable to discuss the project publicly.

He indicated, however, that papers in connection with the matter were expected from Ottawa early next week and he proposed to place the whole scheme formally before the City Council immediately following their arrival.

He had had several interviews with the promoters when in the East. So far no concessions had been sought from the city as an inducement to locate, and he observed that the firm in question was not the one which recently suggested the erection of a steel plant in New Westminster if assured a million-dollar guarantee.

MORE FARM HANDS THAN NEEDED IN AMERICAN WEST

Washington, March 16.—More farm hands are available in the western part of the United States than are needed immediately and there is only a slight scarcity in the east and south, according to reports to the Department of Labor.

ARTILLERY ACTIONS ON ITALIAN FRONT

Rome, March 16.—"Harassing actions by the opposing artillery were more frequent in the zone north of Ponte Della Priula and south of Zenzen, on the Piave," says to-day's official statement. "Hostile patrols were put to flight."

"In the Asiago region our bursts of fire repeatedly disturbed enemy rear line movements."

NEW YORK LABOR UNIONS ARE LOYAL

Federated Body Declares Against Making of a Premature Peace

New York, March 16.—The Central Federated Trades Union, of New York, declared itself against premature peace in a recent resolution adopted last night following addresses by F. W. Appleton and Joseph Butterworth, members of the British Labor Commission now in this country.

In pledging loyalty to the United States and the Allies, the labor men expressed their "earnest and sincere determination to continue with our whole efforts until the great war is brought to a conclusion which will forever safeguard democracy for all people."

It was also asserted that "there must be no turning back," and that "the organized trades union movement of the United States is inherently loyal to the national aspirations for a victorious war against autocracy."

Profiteers. Mr. Appleton, after describing measures which the British Government had passed to protect workmen, declared a profiteer should be "placed against the first wall available and his career ended with a service bullet."

He also expressed the opinion that although sixteen per cent. of Great Britain's population is bearing arms, it will not be necessary for the United States to employ more than four per cent. to ensure victory. He added that neither Britain nor France wished to have American troops brought into action until they were thoroughly trained.

BERLIN PAPER WANTS GERMANY TO EXPLOIT PERSIA AND SIBERIA

London, March 16.—Germany must count on accomplished the fact of an economic war after the war and control by Great Britain and the United States of sea-borne traffic in raw materials, declares the Pan-German Tagliche Rundschau of Berlin, according to a dispatch from The Hague to The London Daily Mail. The Tagliche Rundschau adds: "Germany therefore must exploit Persia and Siberia. Bremen and Hamburg, which go long have strained their eyes earnestly seawards, must for some time turn their gaze landward. Germany must make up her mind to exploit the countries available to her and those are the Balkan and Black Sea districts, followed by the Caucasus, the Trans-Caspian district, Persia and Siberia."

HALIFAX BARRISTER DIES.

St. John, N. B., March 16.—John T. Ross, of Halifax, died here after a long illness. He was formerly a law partner of Sir Robert Borden.

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HENDERSON STANDS FOR CLEAN PEACE

British Labor Leader Says Settlement Must Be Based on Justice

London, March 14.—Delayed.—The most critical stage of the whole history of the war has been reached, in the opinion of Rt. Hon. Arthur Henderson, secretary of the British Labor Party and formerly a member of the War Cabinet. Speaking in London at a woman suffrage meeting to-day, Mr. Henderson added: "I have imagined during the last few days, having regard to what has taken place in Russia, that some German emissary might come along and say: 'Why do we fight? Why can not we settle it? We are prepared to come to a compromise with you regarding colonies and we are prepared to make considerable concessions to France with reference to Alsace-Lorraine.'"

"That would be a cynical peace, containing the seeds of future war. It would not be a clean peace and it would not be an honorable peace. It would be the desertion of Russia, and the women of this country must stand against it like flint."

"We are anxious for peace, and the sooner it comes the better, but let me say it must be a peace consistent with the ideals for which we entered the war. No one deplures more than I do the collapse of Russia, but I believe the course Russia recently has been directed in does not represent a majority of the Russian people. The Russian people were very anxious for peace. I am anxious for peace, but never in any speech that I have made or any suggestion that I have privately made I committed myself to a position similar to that in Russia. "By all means let us try for peace based on international justice and that only."

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VACANT SENATORSHIP MAY BE FILLED SOON

Several Vancouver Guesses as to Who Will Get Coveted Position.

Vancouver, March 16.—The vacant British Columbia Senatorship is a very live topic of discussion in political circles, in view of the fact that the new Dominion Parliament will open its first session on Monday. In connection with the probabilities as to the likelihood of this toga being placed in the near future, the name of James A. Schofield, member for Trail in the Provincial Legislature, is a new one which rumor has named as one upon whose shoulders the mantle has a good chance to descend, and whose shoulders are not at all, it is said, unwilling it should. W. B. Anstie, lumberman of Revelstoke, and Joshua Kitchman, of Victoria, are also mentioned by political gossip.

Mr. Schofield is a very popular member of the Legislature, and has represented Trail constituency for a number of years. It is said that Mr. Schofield has the backing of Hon. Martin Burrell and R. P. Green, M. P., whose influence in the ranks is said to be really as great as any Minister's.

GERMAN JUNKERS WANT ANNEXATIONS ON A LARGE SCALE

Washington, March 16.—Serious differences between the German civil Government and the military leaders over the plan of the general staff to annex the Russian Baltic provinces are reported in an official dispatch. The dispatch says:

"A crown council, at which were present Kaiser Wilhelm, Field-Marshal von Hindenburg, Count von Hertling and many notable personages, was held to deliberate upon various questions relative to the conclusion of peace with Russia, to the offer made the Kaiser of the ducal crown of Courland, and, finally to the affairs of Roumania and Finland. It appears that serious differences have arisen between the majority of the Reichstag and the Government on one side and Great Headquarters on the other."

"The divergent views concern dynastic questions and the attaching to Germany of the four Russian Baltic Provinces of Livonia, Estonia, Courland, and Lithuania, as well as the questions of the rectification of the frontiers of Poland."

"The general staff, supported by the Right, desires the immediate solution of all these problems in a manner favorable to Germany. The civil Government, which considers the present situation far from stable, prefers to temporize."

"The Liepzig Nachrichten, organ of the Crown Prince, writes that to-day Great Headquarters alone should make decisions that are of so great importance and that Count von Hertling lacks political judgment. The same paper says that Germany should annex all the rich industrial territory of West Poland, and announces that the National Council of Lithuania, like that of Courland, desires to see its country returned to the German Empire in a personal union."

"The plan of German Great Headquarters, then, consists of incorporation with Germany of Livonia, Estonia, Courland and Lithuania," adds the paper.

KILLED BY CLINKERS.

Calgary, March 16.—Literally suffocated beneath tons of clinkers which were being ground up in a machine at the plant of the Canada Cement Company, Giovanni Guisto, an Italian laborer, met a horrible death on Monday of this week, according to news that has just reached this city from Exshaw.

RAID BY CANADIANS NEAR LENS SUCCEEDED

Currie's Men Took Fourteen Prisoners; Trenches Retaken by French

London, March 16.—"At dawn this morning Canadian troops raided enemy trenches southeast of Lens and brought back fourteen prisoners," said a report from Field-Marshal Haig yesterday afternoon.

"A hostile raid was attempted last night in the neighborhood of Passchendaele by a large party of the enemy, who suffered heavily from our artillery barrage and machine gun fire in its unsuccessful attempt to reach our lines. We secured a few prisoners. This morning under cover of a heavy bombardment a hostile raiding party attacked our posts south of the Menin Road, but was repulsed by rifle fire."

"The hostile artillery was less active on most parts of the front, but it has shown somewhat greater activity in the Lens and Messines sectors."

French Reports.

Paris, March 16.—The following official report was issued here last night: "There was rather lively artillery fire along the whole front, especially on the right bank of the Meuse, in the regions of Bezonvaux and Vacherauville. In Lorraine, west of Forville, an enemy raid was dispersed with losses. "Last night our aviators dropped 5,640 kilograms of bombs on a number of railway stations and cantonments in the enemy zone."

"Belgian communication.—During the last two days the artillery activity was considerable at times. Our barrage fire checked an attempted enemy movement against an advance post near Merckem. The enemy frequently used gas shells, to which we replied with a bombardment of the same nature. At several points on the front between Nieuport and above Dixmude the firing was very lively. Certain of our cantonments behind the fighting zone were shelled by long range guns. We replied with a fire of the same kind against railway stations and important enemy points."

Trenches Retaken.

"In the Champagne region west of Carnillet, French troops have regained from the enemy trench elements which he had held since March 1." said an official report issued here yesterday afternoon. "The operation was a complete success, our troops capturing forty-two prisoners, among them being four officers. They also brought back two machine guns and bomb throwers. "At the same time one of our detachments penetrated the German lines at Mont Blond and returned with prisoners."

"This morning a surprise attack by German troops against French positions near Massines was a complete failure."

"There is nothing important to report on the rest of the front except artillery firing in the region of Mohel and in the Volu sector."

Italian Front.

Rome, March 16.—The following official report was issued here last evening:

"West of Bezzecca strong enemy parties who attempted to capture one of our patrols was dispersed by the fire. The enemy exploded a powerful mine in the Monte Paszio area, but our positions were not damaged. In the vicinity of Lashi one of our patrols caused great alarm in the hostile positions and returned without loss to our lines. Other patrols in ambush at the head of the Orzio Valley succeeded in capturing two enemy patrols."

"Our artillery dispersed enemy troops and working parties in the Asiago basin and convoys along the roads in the Brenta and Seven Vallies. "There was a slight hostile artillery activity in the upper Val Tellina and along the middle Piave. At Bassano one of our field hospitals visibly marked with a Red Cross was fired on."

CAUCASUS GOVERNMENT REFUSES TO ENDORSE BREST-LITOVSK PACT

Petrograd, March 15, via London, March 16.—The Caucasus Government has issued a statement in which it refuses to endorse the Brest-Litovsk treaty, which cedes Kars, Batum and Ardahan to Turkey, and declares that peace with Turkey can be signed only by the Caucasus Government, which has sent its own delegates to Trebizond to discuss peace.

Saying there have been repeated violations by both the Germans and the Russians of the line of demarcation fixed for the Pskov front, the Germans have demanded the establishment of a new line ten versts east of the present Russian position. A German official explanation of this change in the line is that it is necessary to strengthen Germany's strategic position.

MACEDONIAN FRONT.

Paris, March 16.—An official report dealing with operations on the Macedonian front issued here last night said:

"West of Monastir, around Hill 1248 and Tronva, French detachments penetrated the enemy lines and found they had been evacuated. An enemy attempt in the same region to raid our line was checked. The artillery activity continued rather lively, being most violent around Monastir. "British aviators bombed several places on the Struma front. An enemy machine was brought down in an aerial combat near Lake Doiran."

FIVE-YEAR SENTENCE.

Woodstock, Ont., March 16.—Five years in the Kingston penitentiary was the sentence imposed on Walter Burdick, of London, following the jury's findings of guilty on the charge of theft of furs in Ingersoll.

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GREAT SCHEME FOR LAND CULTIVATION ON THE PRAIRIES

Montreal, March 16.—Realizing that food for the Allies is the first consideration, the building contractors of Eastern Canada have placed before the Government a gigantic proposal for the cultivation of idle Western lands.

Without depriving the farmer of any help, they propose to turn the idle machinery and capital in the building trade to cultivation; to break 50,000 acres this year for the 1919 crop, using 3,000 men and figuring the production next year at 16,000,000 bushels of wheat, with an increase in 1920, which, if capital is sufficiently forthcoming, can be trebled.

The proposal has been worked up by the Montreal Builders' Exchange and meets with the approval of Toronto and Ottawa exchanges and is being seriously considered by the Government. The builders are pressing for an immediate answer.

SIR GEORGE ALEXANDER, ACTOR, DIES IN LONDON

London, March 16.—Sir George Alexander, actor and manager of the St. James Theatre, London, died yesterday.

Sir George Alexander was born at Reading on June 13, 1858. Following his education in private schools, where he had shown a great enthusiasm for the stage, he took up acting as his life's work. He made his debut in 1879 at Nottingham, and in 1881 joined Sir Henry Irving. He opened under his own management at the Avenue Theatre, London, in 1890, and since that time had borne the dual role of actor and manager. He was knighted by King George on June 19, 1911.

JAMES STILLMAN DEAD.

New York, March 16.—James Stillman, chairman of the Board of National City Bank of New York, and one of the most famous bankers in the United States, died of heart disease late yesterday at his home in this city. He had been in poor health for several months.

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CHARLTON WILL SIT IN THE COMMONS FOR NORFOLK, ONT.

Toronto, March 16.—William A. Charlton, Unionist, is confirmed as member of Parliament for Norfolk riding. Justices Masten and Middleton, whose duty it is to try election petitions in Ontario under the Dominion Controverted Elections Act, yesterday "dismissed it out of this court." The petitioners were J. W. Blaney, R. Palmerston and W. Porter, three Norfolk farmers. They alleged numerous cases of corruption and for the first time in the history of Ontario, the names of women were mentioned as parties in the alleged improper election business. The petitioners were not represented.



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CASUALTIES AMONG CANADIAN SOLDIERS

Ottawa, March 16.—The following casualties have been announced:

Killed in action—Lieut. R. G. Foley, M. C., Ottawa.
Prisoner-of-war—Lieut. R. P. Steeves, Sussex, N. B.
Wounded—Capt. W. Proudfoot, Codrington, Ont.

APPROXIMATELY 50,000 COMBATANT PRISONERS ARE HELD IN BRITAIN

London, March 16.—Figures prepared show that at the end of February there were 49,817 combatant prisoners of war in England and that 4,000 more were expected to arrive at once. Of the total 28,656 are permanently employed and the remainder are men unfit for work. In addition, 25,000 German civilians and 4,000 Austrians are interned. Between 1,500 and 2,000 of these are out on license for various forms of work and the rest are a "useless and expensive incubus."

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MESSAGE TO U. S. FROM RUSSIAN CONGRESS

Soviets Convinced Socialist State of Society Throughout World Coming

Moscow, March 14 (delayed).—(By the Associated Press.)—President Wilson's message of sympathy to the Russian people was received with marked applause when it was read to-night at the opening session of the All-Russian Congress of Soviets. The Congress immediately adopted a resolution of appreciation, worded as follows:

"The All-Russian Congress of Soviets expresses its appreciation to the American people, and first of all the laboring and exploited classes in the United States, for the message sent by President Wilson to the Congress of Soviets at this time, when the Russian Socialist Soviet Republic is living through most difficult trials."

"The Russian Republic uses the occasion of the message from President Wilson to express to all peoples who are dying and suffering from the horrors of this imperialistic war its warm sympathy and firm conviction that the happy time is near when the laboring masses in all bourgeois countries will throw off the capitalist yoke and establish a Socialist state of society, which is the only one capable of assuring a permanent and just peace, as well as the culture and well-being of all who toil."

1,164 Delegates.

The Congress is sitting in the splendid banquet hall of the Nobility Club, where former Emperors often were entertained. Soldiers, sailors and peasants form a majority of the 1,164 delegates present. M. Everdoff, chairman of the central executive committee of the Congress, is presiding. The Bolshevik members number 732, and there are thirty-eight Social-Revolutionists of the Left.

Premier Lenin made the principal speech at the opening and received a great ovation. He reviewed the history of the revolution and emphasized the necessity of signing a peace treaty.

M. Tchitcherin, the Acting Foreign Minister, read the peace terms. It was then decided that peace should be considered first and after that the permanent removal of the capital from Petrograd and the election of a new central executive committee.

Strong forces of guards were about the hall, but there were no attempts at disorder. Moscow is quiet, the Bolshevik control apparently being absolute.

SIR A. GEDDES SAYS BRITAIN NEEDS MANY MEN FOR HER ARMIES

Bristol, March 16.—Sir Auckland Geddes, Minister of National Service, speaking here, declared that the disposition of the German armies on the Western front was most remarkable. "They have placed mass upon mass," he said, "and Germany's military object will be to strike at England. I have no doubt Germany will strike not only at our forces in France, but also, if she can, at the heart of England. Men in enormous numbers are wanted, including men up to fifty, to join for our home defence."

London, March 16.—Replying to an inquiry as to whether there was any truth in the rumors that proposals had been received from Germany for a peace at the expense of Russia, Lord Robert Cecil, Minister of Blockade, said in the House of Commons yesterday: "As far as I know, no such proposals are being considered or will be considered."

68,972,000 BUSHELS OF WHEAT IN U. S. ELEVATORS AND MILLS

Washington, March 16.—Wheat holdings at country mills and elevators throughout the United States on March 1 were estimated to-day by the Department of Agriculture at 68,972,000 bushels. That is, about 20,000,000 bushels less than was held on March 1 last year and 86,000,000 bushels less than in 1916.

CREELMAN SPEAKS OF GREATER PRODUCTION

Toronto, March 16.—The big problem of greater food production and the question of how to supply help to the farmer this year was pretty well threshed out yesterday in an address delivered by Dr. G. C. Creelman, Commissioner of Agriculture, before the Agricultural Committee of the Legislature here. The problem, although a serious one, could be solved to a great extent by united effort on the part of every person, he said.

Dr. Creelman pointed out that an effort was being made to feed the garbage from the cities to the hogs of the country. The farmers were so short of feed that they were feeding hog wheat worth \$2.20 a bushel and it was the cheapest grain on the market to be got for food. "We want that wheat for bread, and to be frank with you, I think that the Dominion Government will have to raise the price of wheat," said Dr. Creelman.

PORK TO CANADA FROM THE STATES

Washington, March 16.—Relaxation of restrictions on the export of pork and pork products to Canada similar to that recently announced on such exports to the British West Indies, Central and South America and West Africa is announced by the War Trade Board. Limited amounts of pork will be permitted to go to these countries under license.

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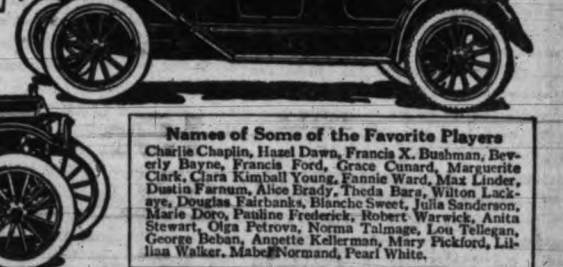
IN THIS particular Moving Picture Theatre the names of the famous players who would soon be appearing in the pictures flashed on the screen. On this particular night the operator, wanting to play a little joke on his audience, took the names of the players and so mixed up the letters in each name that they spelled out the funny sentences you see above.

Time and time again this film was flashed on the screen only to be demanded back. Many of the audience are still trying to solve the mysterious names. Can you help them?

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18th Prize, \$0.01
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OFFICIAL SAYS C. P. R. IS NOT COMPLAINING

Montreal, March 16.—With reference to the new Government tax on the earnings of the C. P. R. in connection with the increased freight and passenger rates, a high official of the C. P. R. said last night that the company will obey the new law as it has always obeyed the orders and regulations of the Government.

"The C. P. R. does not regard the law as confiscatory," he said, "though that appears to be the momentary impression in New York—an impression which affected the stock. But before the actual working out of the regulations can be ascertained—that it means as regards the amount to be paid the Government on a fifty-fifty basis after the ten-per cent. is provided for—a special bureau will have to be set up. The C. P. R. is not complaining."

BREAD IN WINNIPEG.

Winnipeg, March 16.—At a largely-attended meeting of the Women's Civic League here last night it was decided to form an organization of women to boycott the bakers and make their own bread until the bakers restore the twenty-ounce loaf.

MILWAUKEE'S MAYOR IS REMOVED FROM DEFENCE COUNCIL

Milwaukee, March 16.—Mayor Daniel W. Mahon was removed from the County Council of Defence yesterday by a vote of sixteen to five. Only Socialist members voted to retain him, including the Mayor himself. The Mayor's removal was the result of his failure to answer a questionnaire with regard to matters affecting the war in connection with his platform as a Socialist candidate for re-election.



The Country Store

IN the evening, when the day's work is done, men like to stroll over to the village store to discuss the war, politics, or whatever may be of local interest.

It is under these circumstances that the health of the family is referred to and experiences are interchanged in regard to medicines that have proven particularly effective.

After Dr. Chase had introduced his medicines to the druggists he found that many who wrote to him for treatment lived many miles from doctor or druggist, and had to depend on the country store for their medicines. Thus it came about that Dr. Chase's medicines were placed in general stores, and you can now obtain them wherever medicines are sold.

Instead of trying to imagine what the man in the picture is saying about Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills, we shall publish a letter from Mr. James Carr, who attributes his good health and that

of his large family to the use of Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills.

18 Miles From Drug Store.

Mr. James Carr, Maynooth, Ont., writes: "About nineteen years ago I received an envelope containing two of Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills. I was doctoring at the time with two doctors and, as they did me no good, I used the pills, and by the time I had finished one box I was cured of the pain in the back and shoulders."

"We have great confidence in Dr. Chase's medicines. I have a family of ten children and have never had a doctor in the house for any of them. We live eighteen miles from a drug store, and find that these pills cure nearly all the ordinary ills by regulating the liver, kidneys and bowels. That we are all well and sound I attribute to their use, and I have recommended them to hundreds and given away many a box because I believe there is no medicine so good."

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We have published thousands of letters to give you an idea of the benefits others have obtained by their use, but if you are still skeptical we shall be glad to send you our

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MORE PSYCHOLOGICAL GAS.

Both von Hindenburg and von Ludendorff have been "interviewed" by the German press on the subject of a German offensive on the West Front. Von Hindenburg says that as the Allies have proved unresponsive to the German peace overtures the "offensive must go on." Von Ludendorff is more explicit. Germany, he says, is now superior to the Entente powers in "men, material, aerial forces, tanks; everything, in fact, stands in readiness on our side in the greatest abundance." He then says that "if the enemy does not want peace—he will have to fight, and this fight will, of course, be the most tremendous of the whole war."

All this means, of course, that Germany is trying to make a deal with the Allies at the expense of Russia, Poland, Trans-Caucasia, Armenia, Roumania and Serbia, just as she tried to make a deal with Britain at the expense of France, and one with France at the expense of Great Britain, before and after the commencement of the war. In the West she offers long concessions or a Western offensive; in other words she demands that the Allies turn their back upon Russia and the rest or meet a German offensive in the West.

It apparently has not dawned upon the Prussian leaders that a German offensive in the West is just what the Allies are longing for, and that they would prefer it to the necessity of conducting one of their own. Nor does it seem to have dawned upon them that the whole world has penetrated their design and is quite aware that the endless bickering and blowing about a tremendous German offensive is intended to make that operation unnecessary. The Allies know quite well that Germany is trying to avoid a costly western campaign. She fears it and its possible consequences. She is uncertain over the morale of both her army and her people. Instead of having an abundance of everything, as von Ludendorff says, she is getting perilously short in many things, and the Allies, to quote General Foch, "know pretty nearly everything she has."

Whether the Germans have actually made a direct overture to the Allies for the sacrifice of Russia or not has not been disclosed. There has been, of course, a standing offer to "negotiate" ever since the Germans and Bolsheviks came together at Brest-Litovsk, and the flood of talk about a German offensive was let loose to intimidate the Allies into accepting it. The offer was ignored and Germany probably has either made other overtures in secret or is about to do so. The "interviews" with von Hindenburg and von Ludendorff can mean nothing else.

GLARING DISPROPORTIONS.

Advocates of proportional representation find strong support for their advocacy in the figures of the Dominion election. In these there are glaring disproportions between voting strength and representation along the entire line. In the aggregate 151 members were elected by 1,622,000 votes, while 82 were elected by 758,000 votes. The minority thus are a long way from being represented in Parliament in fair proportion to their voting strength.

The Ottawa Citizen in an analysis of the vote finds even more remarkable instances of disproportion in the returns for the various provinces. It points out that in British Columbia the Government gained thirteen seats through a total vote of almost 60,000, but that the Opposition did not get a solitary seat although its total vote was over 40,000. In Alberta the situation is almost as anomalous. Here the Government secured eleven seats through a total of practically 80,000 votes. The Opposition candidates secured 50,000 votes and elected one member. In Saskatchewan the 22,000 non-Unionist voters will go totally unrepresented, while the 32,000 Unionists will be a factor in Parliament with a solid contingent of sixteen members. On the other hand, the situation is practically reversed in Quebec. Here three Unionists will represent the wishes of 26,000 voters, while 243,500 non-Unionists will secure sixty-two seats.

New Brunswick will have four Opposition members with a total vote of 32,000, while the same province has elected seven administration supporters with a total of 42,628 votes. Nova Scotia cast almost 50,000 votes for the Government with the result that twelve members were elected to support the

administration, while the Opposition were favored by 51,000 electors, but secured three seats less!

The Citizens doubt if any Anglo-Saxon country has furnished a more potent argument for the reform of its electoral system than the recent contest in the Dominion. Whole provinces go totally unrepresented, the disparity between the parties in many cases being numerically unimportant. Under an equitable system of electing representatives all sections of the community would be responsible for the acts of Government and would feel a personal interest in the legislation of the country. Our contemporary claims that the present system makes for virtual disfranchisement of whole provinces under certain circumstances, such as prevailed at the last election, while normally the majority in the House of Commons may actually represent a fewer number of electors than the opposition.

THE CANADIAN NORTHERN PACIFIC.

Mr. Hall's resolution expresses the opinion that if the Mackenzie & Mann interests received payment for their stock from the Dominion before they completed their undertakings in British Columbia it would be an outrage upon the people of the Province. According to the Drayton-Ackworth report the stock is valueless and in that case it would be an outrage all round if they were remunerated for it, the degree of outrage depending upon the amount awarded by the arbitrators now investigating the matter.

But it is out of the question now to expect Mackenzie & Mann and their associates to complete their programme in this Province, because whether they are paid for their stock or not, the system is passing out of their hands into the hands of the Government. It is to the Dominion Government that we must look for the performance of the uncompleted contracts, for in taking over the system it also takes over the obligations to which the system is committed in the covenants entered into with this Province by the promoters.

It ought to be possible for the Provincial and Dominion Governments to come to some arrangement, satisfactory to both, for the solution of the railroad problem in this Province. There are certain sections of the Island programme of the Canadian Northern Pacific which should be completed at once for they would play an important part in the development of the Island's resources. It is desirable also that the Dominion should have the P. G. E. It would be well for the Legislature to bear in mind, however, that it cannot compel the Dominion to complete the Canadian Northern programme in British Columbia or take over the P. G. E. These all-important questions should be kept clear of politics and settled by amicable arrangement. The chief value of the Legislature debate regarding the Canadian Northern undertakings will lie in the emphasis it will give to the well-founded grievances of the people of this Province, particularly of the Island, in connection with the matter, and the necessity of early action for their removal.

THE RAILWAY RATE.

The Federal Government has confirmed the decision of the Railway Commission giving the railways permission to increase railroad rates approximately fifteen per cent. against the appeal of the Western Provincial Governments, Boards of Trade and other public bodies. The Government, however, modified the decision of the Railway Board by providing that the new rates, instead of being permanent, should cease to be effective one year after the declaration of peace following the war.

To meet the objection that most of the benefit from the increase would go to the C. P. R., which for years has been earning more than it knows what to do with, the Cabinet passed an Order-in-Council imposing special taxation on the profits of that road so that some of the difference would go into the public treasury. We fail to see how this can meet the objection. The fact that the treasury will benefit from a part of the company's superprofit does not relieve those who have to contribute it. It simply means that the Government and the C. P. R. divide between them the proceeds of a stiff new taxation levy, and there is certainly no consolation in this for those who have to bear the burden.

This incident of the freight rates, however, shows what a tangle the railway situation of Canada is in. The Canadian northern and G. T. P. cannot pay fixed charges unless rates are increased, and if they cannot meet these obligations the Canadian people, through their Government, must give them further subsidies. But, it is contended, unless the rates of the C. P. R. are increased at the same time, no matter how much of a surplus it has over its ten per cent. dividend, the increase to the other roads would do them no good. Hence, the rates of all must be increased to the same extent, and this means a superprofit for the C. P. R.

which, of course, gets most of the benefit as it does a vastly greater business than its rivals.

OF COURSE.

Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg admits the truth of the statement recently made by Stephen Pichon, French Foreign Minister, that on July 31, 1914, the German Ambassador in Paris demanded that France, if she wished to remain neutral in the war between Germany and Russia, hand over to the Germans the fortresses of Verdun and Toul for occupation until the war was over, as a guarantee of French neutrality.

That impudent demand was made upon France two days before Germany declared war upon Russia, showing conclusively that Germany was bent upon war at all costs, and that no matter how the negotiations between Russia and Austria or Austria and Serbia might turn, she was going to strike when her hour came. It had all been settled at the Potsdam conference of July 5, even to the Kaiser's camouflage trip to Norwegian waters.

Who but a Prussian would demand that France surrender her main defensive line to the Germans, who even at that time had massed large bodies of troops along the Rhine? Who but a Prussian would imagine for one minute that France would present her breastplate to the assassin standing ready to stab? Why the Huns did not ask for Paris as a guarantee of French neutrality, may never be disclosed. They probably did not think of it. The significant fact is that they asked for Verdun and Toul as guarantees of French neutrality in "the war between Germany and Russia" two days before that war broke out and at a time when the Kaiser, von Bethmann-Hollweg and the others according to their own protestations three years later, were laboring mightily to prevent the Balkan quarrel ending in a great war!

PATRIOTIC CAMPAIGN
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Offices Will Remain Open to Receive Additional Subscriptions

With subscriptions for the district totalling over \$180,000, Victoria has closed the special campaign drive in the interests of the Canadian Patriotic Fund. Actual canvassing of the city's business houses has been completed by the eighteen committees working under the direction of Joshua Kingham, chairman, and T. McConnell, secretary. The city was covered in a systematic manner from the Empress Hotel on the south, to Cormorant Street on the north and from the waterfront to Quadra Street on the west and east. In addition, committees visited the scattered business establishments throughout the residential districts of the city. In this way it felt that a large percentage of the citizens have been reached.

Mr. Kingham, speaking of the campaign, this morning, said he felt that the city had been well covered but was confident there were still many residents who might wish to contribute to the fund. That every opportunity for this situation may be provided, Mr. Kingham said the committee had arranged to have the campaign offices remain open during the coming week so that persons wishing to subscribe there might do so.

SEVERAL INJURED
IN A SCUFFLE IN
AUSTRIAN CHAMBER

Copenhagen, March 16.—Czech and German members of the lower House of the Austrian Parliament engaged in a wild scuffle in which several were injured on Thursday during a speech by the Czech Deputy Soukup, according to a Vienna dispatch to The Ham-burger Fremdenblatt. The disturbance became so serious that the chairman had to dissolve the sitting.

Deputy Soukup complained that Prague, the capital of Bohemia, had been for several days without food, including potatoes. Deputy Wolf, a German member, jumped to his feet and shouted: "The Czechs have not given out proper quantities of food. The Czechs will starve us. They are the allies of the British."

The German Deputy's outburst was interrupted by Deputy Ridlax, a Czech, who threw him to the floor. The tumult thus began soon spread throughout the House.

PARCELS FOR PRISONERS.

Ottawa, March 16.—It is pointed out by the Deputy Postmaster-General here that in accordance with a memorandum issued by the German authorities, all parcels for prisoners of war in Germany should be addressed to the "parent" or main camps to which camps the prisoners belong and not to any branch or working camps. To insure prisoners getting parcels, relatives here should ascertain their main camps and address them there.

SALOONS MADE TO CLOSE.

Newport, R. I., March 16.—The Navy Department order prohibiting the sale of liquor within five miles of the Newport naval station went into effect today, with the result that forty-nine saloons and wholesale liquor stores in this city were forced out of business.

HOLLWEG ADMITS
PICHON'S STATEMENT

Germany Did Demand Toul and Verdun as French Guarantee

Amsterdam, March 16.—In an interview published in The Nieuwe Nach-richten of Berlin, Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg admits the truth of the statement made recently by Stephen Pichon, French Foreign Minister, respecting Germany's attitude toward France at the time of the outbreak of the war.

M. Pichon said that on July 31, 1914, Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, then German Chancellor, instructed Baron von Schoen, then German Ambassador to France, to demand that France, if she desired to remain neutral in the war between Russia and Germany, should hand over to Germany as a guarantee of neutrality the fortresses of Toul and Verdun, to be occupied until after the war.

Von Bethmann-Hollweg says: "The Russian general mobilization furnished indisputable proof that those factors which overruled the wishes of the Czar desired war. My instructions to Baron von Schoen on July 31, 1914, have been brought to light. But what have these instructions to do with the Russian mobilization and the attitude of France? Russian regiments were on the march before these instructions were written."

Two Fronts.

"No one could seriously doubt that we had not only to fight against the Russian mobilization but also to fight France. The Russo-French Alliance had sufficiently shown by the attitude adopted by both countries during recent decades that any war would be, for us, a war on two fronts, and, furthermore, our enemies' own publications regarding the events of July, 1914, also testify that Russia herself had made sure of France's assistance."

"I myself was not in the slightest doubt regarding this state of affairs when the instructions were sent Baron von Schoen, but, precisely on that account, we could not disregard the possibility that perhaps France would provisionally make a declaration of neutrality, which, however, could not be relied upon permanently, and that under the cover of her apparent initial neutrality she might complete her preparations in order to fall on us at a moment when we were deeply engaged in the East."

IRON SUPPLY IS
A GERMAN PROBLEM

May Be Connection Between Reported Peace Feelers and That Need

Washington, March 16.—The inference that Germany may have made a new peace offer to the Allies, proposing terms at the expense of Russia, coincides with an undercurrent of discussion which has been running in diplomatic circles here for some time, but which never has shown any evidence of tangible development. The statement of Lord Robert Cecil in the British House of Commons yesterday that no such proposal would be considered, coupled with Field-Marshal Hindenburg's statement that the German offensive would go on in the view of the Entente's unresponsive attitude towards Germany's peace intentions, served to strengthen the view of neutral diplomats here, who for some time have believed that some sort of underground feelers have been going out from Germany for some time. American officials and Allied diplomats, while agreeing entirely with Lord Robert Cecil's statement that no such terms will be considered, give no evidence of how much may be known here of what Hindenburg refers to as Germany's peace intentions.

Some of the neutral diplomats, however, have firmly believed for some time that Germany would be willing to give up Alsace-Lorraine if she even permitted to retain her hold on the Baltic Provinces and the mineral belts in the other nearby sections of Russia. The general current of opinion in diplomatic circles here for some time has turned toward the possibility of Germany attempting to give way in the West and making up her losses in the East.

Needs Iron. The extent to which the future supplies of iron are entering Germany's peace negotiations is indicated in the latest advice received here showing discussion of the subject in Germany. These show that Germany knows the production of ore within her own borders is limited by experts to fifty years, that Sweden contemplates an iron industry of her own which will require her own ore, and that the supply in Spain, upon which Germany also has drawn, is approaching exhaustion. Consequently German officials contend that her supply of ore must logically come from the fields of Longwy and Briey, assuring ore for a century. Inasmuch as the Allies are pledged by repeated declarations to the restoration of this territory to France, which would close these fields to Germany, diplomats see in proposed permanent acquisition of mineral belts in the Russian provinces Germany's last hope of remaining a military power.

The lank, long-haired young man looked dreamily at the charming girl on whom he was endeavoring to make a favorable impression.

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BOX
SUGAR BEETS.

To the Editor.—Professor Stevenson advises everyone with a lot or garden to grow sugar beets, as a row would supply enough sugar to fill the cookery requirements of an average family for a year. Your paper some time back published an article on the difficulties attending commercial production of sugar from the beet, and therefore it would be useful if the professor were to lay down the lines of using the beet for production of the sugar when they were grown. Having a family, I myself would welcome the information.

INQUIRER.

A FAIR DAY'S WORK FOR A FAIR
DAY'S WAGE.

To the Editor.—Can you enlighten us why the Legislative Assembly only sits from 2:30 p.m. to about 5 p.m. only five days in the week? Is the rest of the day occupied in the business of the province? The British House of Commons has eight longer sessions per day and per month. One would think that members would like to get through the work more quickly and back to their own businesses. In these days the cry on all sides is to save money and to save men for necessary work, and it seems that a few days might be made as suggested and a good example set to the country. I may be under a misapprehension. Please inform a

TAXPAYER.

ARMENIAN AND SYRIAN RELIEF
FUND.

To the Editor.—I gratefully acknowledge \$44.15 collected on behalf of this fund from house to house since February 23. Also from St. John's S. S., Cobwood, \$2; Baptist Tabernacle S. S., St. Langford, \$2.50; Zion's S. S., per Mr. Barber, \$5; Alert Bay Boys' School, \$5; St. George's Ladies' School, \$4.50; Collegiate School, per A. W. Muskat, \$2.50; Local Council of Women, \$2.50; Women's Canadian Club, \$50; Mr. H. L. Smith, \$5.

Any further donations will be most gratefully received. We cannot realize the slow suffering by starvation, but we all know how desperate the need is among our brethren in the East; 40,000 orphans were appealed for in the papers sent out to the Sunday schools a few months ago. Five dollars a month saves a life, we are told. Please address any contributions you feel you can make to Miss Caroline Macklem, 115 Richardson Street, Victoria, or to D. A. Cameron, Canadian Bank of Commerce, Toronto.

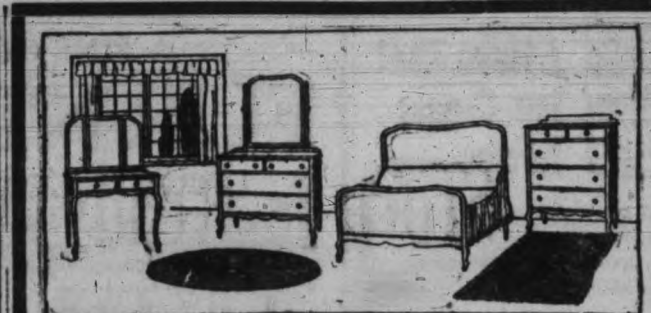
CAROLINE MACKLEM.

"THE FINISHED MYSTERY."

To the Editor.—The "unbiased expert" from whom Walter Foster got his information with regard to the price of "The Finished Mystery" must be the same person from whom he gets his ideas on last.

I have on my bookshelves a hundred books, better printed, on better paper and better bound than "The Finished Mystery," not one of which cost more than "two bits." Nowadays for that price a man can select anything from Chaucer's "Canterbury Tales" right along to the laugher requested to us by O. Henry—taking in "The Pilgrim's Progress" and "The Origin of Species" by the way. At twenty-five cents I find George Borrow's "Wild Wales" (extending to over 400 pages), "Lavengro" and "The Ransome Rye," Carlyle's "Sartor Resartus," Lamb's "Essays" and novels and volumes of essays by such modern writers as G. K. Chesterton, E. V. Rieu, George Bernard Shaw, H. G. Wells, etc. These books were published with the intention of bringing some return to the publisher, I guess.

I'm sorry to say I paid sixty cents for "The Finished Mystery," but it did not



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require an Order-in-Council to make me put that compilation of blasphemous baldness in the fire. If the Hun has a hand in this he's making money on it.
F. W. U.

SUGAR BEETS.

To the Editor.—I have read the report in The Times of the address given by Professor Stevenson at the High School on "Food Production," in which he advises the growth of sugar beets. I have seen these grown in the East of Canada, with a good paying return to the growers. There, evidently, this production had been worked with a good deal of arrangement with some sugar refining company, which provided a ready market for almost any quantity with a satisfactory return—my purpose in writing you is to ask through you, Professor Stevenson for information that would encourage in Victoria and vicinity the growth of sugar beets, not for the purpose of one making his own sugar, but how to dispose profitably of any good crop that might be raised here on some of the vacant lots.

I have one or two lots which I intend to cultivate, and from what the professor has said feel inclined to venture sugar beets, but before doing so I should like to know how to dispose of any crop, or how to make sugar

E. J. C. S.

Victoria, March 15, 1918.

CONCERT AT HIGH SCHOOL

A splendid array of local talent has been assembled for the Red Cross concert, to be given in the High School on Monday evening. The proceedings will open with a duet by the Misses Wootton and Butterfield; little Miss Naomi Taylor, a very small performer, will give a bed-time dance; Mrs. Ozard and Mrs. Webster are to sing a duet and Reg. N. Hince, Stewart Clark and H. J. Davis will render the amusing trio, "For Months and Months and Months." A sketch from "Richelleu," a recitation by Miss Helen Badgley, conjuring by Mr. Brinkman and a dance by Miss Ruth McBride are among the many enjoyable numbers on the programme, while a feature of great interest will be a display of Japanese fencing by W. J. Fujimori vs. J. Joya and I. Kano and vs. K. Ise. Tickets are on sale at Fletcher's and Kent's Music Stores, and "Super-fluties."

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO TO-DAY

Victoria Times, March 16, 1893.

Mr. Thomas Hooper's plans were placed first in the competition for the new Protestant Orphan's Home, out of thirteen sets submitted. Mr. T. C. Sorby was placed second. The winning plans provide for a plain, substantial brick building with stone foundation.

The plans submitted by Mr. F. M. Rattenbury, of Vancouver, for the new Provincial Government building have been submitted and accepted by the Government, and will be presented to the Legislature.

This morning a horse was killed, after having last evening derailed an Oak Bay car. The animal was badly burned in the collision, and had to be shot later.

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—Gloves, Main Floor

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—Hose, Main Floor

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—Corsets, First Floor

Ready-to-Wear in the Season's Smartest Creations



Two of the busiest weeks of the year in the Ready-to-Wear Sections are before us. Stocks are new and full—all the very latest creations being represented in a wonderful variety.

Most women take a delight in selecting their new Spring garments early—in time for wear Easter Sunday. They will, therefore, be planning their purchases during the next two weeks.

May we not suggest that you shop in the morning—when the store is fresh—the salespeople at their best. There are no crowds to jostle and inconvenience you. In the afternoon the store is crowded—the clerks are rushed. We cannot then give you all the time nor the attention we like to give.

The Most Comprehensive and Distinguished Collection of Suits, Coats and Dresses in the City

This season we have specialized on garments that are smart, combined with serviceability and reasonable prices. Every Suit, Coat or Dress you see in the Ready-to-Wear Department has these characteristics.

We feel confident that you will appreciate our range of models, also the values.

In Suits

—We are showing models in the straight tailored lines, the semi-tailored, also the more dressy effects. But whether it's a strictly tailored or a novelty model—all feature the trim slender lines now so popular.

—These Suits are beautifully tailored from good quality wool materials—the most prominent being serges, gabardines, tricelines, velours and tweeds, in shades French blue, Pekin, navy, sand and light and dark greys. All the Suits are handsomely finished, and very smartly trimmed with braids or buttons; some have collars of satin or over collars of white silk or colored silk foulards.

—Prices are most reasonable—\$25.00, \$27.50 and intermediate prices to \$75.00.

In Separate Coats

—We show a wide variety of models in the most favored lengths—three-quarter and seven-eighth. These are good useful garments which will be worn as general utility coats throughout the season. There's the loose fitting, also the more fitted styles, finished with belts and pockets. Some of the belts fasten with huge buckles either in front or at the side. The materials favor wool Donegal tweeds, velours, serges and gabardines. Prices of Coats range up from **\$15.00**

In One-Piece Dresses

—The One-Piece Dress takes a prominent place this season in the spring outfit. Most women will include one or more Dresses in her estimate. The styles are new and varied—ranging from the simple tailored garment to a handsome novelty that has the combined appearance of dress and suit—the latter being particularly appropriate for street wear. There are pretty little dresses of navy and green serge, featuring pleated skirts from yoke or belt, with collars trimmed with colored braids or white satin. Splendid value at **\$13.75**

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—Mantle Dept., First Floor

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Men's Natural Wool Mixture Elastic Rib, Medium Weight Shirts and Drawers; suitable for early Spring wear. A garment **\$1.50**

Better grade, **\$1.75** and **2.00**

Union Suits, in same grades; closed crutch, well finished. A suit, **\$3.50** and **\$4.00**

Boys' Natural Wool Mixture Elastic Rib Shirts and Drawers, medium weight for Spring wear; long sleeves and ankle length drawers; sizes 24 to 32 chest. Priced according to size, a garment, **90c** to **\$1.30**

Union Suits, for boys, made in the same grades and styles; sizes 22 to 32 chest. Priced according to size, a suit, **\$1.60** to **\$2.65**

—Underwear, Main Floor

Boys' Shirt Waists

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—Shirts, Main Floor

Little Boys' Woolen Suits—Special at \$2.75

Two-piece Suits, jersey and pants to match; in shades cardinal, navy, dark grey and white. A nice warm quality for present wear. Sizes 2 and 3 years. Very special at **\$2.75**

Boys' Separate Woolen Pants, to match the above suits. Special, a pair **1.25**

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White Turkish Towels, 18 x 27, each, **25c** or, dozen **\$2.80**

White Turkish Towels, 19 x 36, each, **30c** or, dozen **\$3.40**

White Turkish Towels, 21 x 44, each, **35c** or, dozen **\$4.00**

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A BEDTIME STORY

UNCLE WIGGILY AND THE BAT

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(By Howard R. Garis.)

Winter was almost gone from Woodland, where the animal folk lived. In a few weeks more it would start to be summer, but already Sammie Little-tail, the rabbit, Johnnie and Billie Bushytail, the squirrels, Jackie and Peetle Bow Wow, the puppies and Jimmie Wibblewobble, the duck, were out in the fields, trying to have a game of ball.

"Come on, now! Throw the ball to Sammie, and let him hit it," said Jackie Bow Wow to his brother. "Let him hit it with his bat."

Sammie, the rabbit boy, stood up near a stone, which was "home plate," and with a stick, or bat, in his paws, tried to hit the ball which Peetle Bow Wow threw at him.

"Bing!" went Sammie's bat on the ball, which was an old croquet one that the boys had found in the garden of Uncle Wiggily Longears, the rabbit gentleman.

"That's the way to hit it! That's the way to hit it!" cried Jimmie, the duck. "Run, Sammie! Run!"

Sammie ran, and, as he did so, he tossed the bat from him, so it would not get tangled in his long legs and trip him up. But Sammie threw the bat harder than he meant to. Up in the air it went, and then right into a tree, where it stuck and didn't come down.

"Aw now look what you did, Sammie Little-tail!" cried Johnnie, the squirrel boy.

"I-I didn't mean to," said Sammie, trying to make his pink nose twinkle the way Uncle Wiggily did his.

"Well, now we can't play ball any more until we get that bat down," said Jackie Bow Wow. "Come on, fellows,

we've got to get stones up in the tree and knock the bat down from where Sammie threw it."

So the ball game stopped for a little while, until the animal boys could throw stones up in the tree, hoping they might hit the bat and knock it down from where it was caught. It was getting on toward evening, and the little chaps could just see something dark hanging in the tree. This, they thought, was the bat, for there were as yet no leaves on the tree.

"There, I hit it that time!" cried Sammie, as he tossed up a stone. It hit something in the tree with a "thud."

And, just as Sammie's stone struck with that thudding noise, something in the tree went:

"Squeak-tek-ek-ek!"

"Oh-o-o-o-o!" cried the animal boys. "Did you hear that?"

"Maybe our baseball bat has come to life, and it didn't like to be hit by a stone," said Sammie.

"Maybe!" quacked Jimmie, the Wibblewobble duck. "Let's go tell Uncle Wiggily about it. He'll know what to do."

Over to the hollow stump bungalow, where Uncle Wiggily lived ran the animal boys.

"What's the matter?" asked Nurse Jane Fussy Wuzzy, the muskrat lady housekeeper. "Did you boys break a window, playing ball, and do you want Uncle Wiggily to pay for it?"

"Oh, no!" answered Sammie. "But I threw the bat up in the tree, and it's stuck there and when I hit it with a stone it squeaked. We want Uncle Wiggily to come and see what it is."

"All right. I'll come," said the bunnymonster, as he walked out of his bungalow just then. "Show me where it is."

Talking and all excited, the animal boys took the bunny to the tree. They pointed up among the branches.

"There's where Sammie tossed the bat," they said. "See it, and when we hit it with stones it squeaks."

"And please don't hit me any more!" "It isn't any fun. It hurts!"

"Oh, the bat's alive! It's alive!" cried Sammie.

"Of course it is!" said Uncle Wiggily with a laugh. "But there are two kinds of bats. Here is the wooden one you tossed into the tree, Sammie. It must have fallen down when you ran for me, and Uncle Wiggily picked up the ball bat."

"But what's that other black bat?" asked Jimmie, the duck.

"That's a mosquito-catching live animal bat," answered Uncle Wiggily. "It hangs by its claws in a tree during the day, but in the early evening, or morning, it flies in the air and catches bad bugs that, otherwise, would bite us. Never throw stones at this kind of a bat, boys. Be kind to it and it will catch bugs for you."

"Thank you, Uncle Wiggily, for saying that," said the bat. Then it began flying about to catch some early spring bugs. The animal boys picked up the wooden bat and went on with the ball game.

"I tell you," said Sammie, "it's a good thing we have Uncle Wiggily to tell us things, or we might have hurt the live bat!" And I think so myself.

And now, if the mince pie doesn't get up in the night and go down cellar to throw pieces of coal at the cheese cake, — I'll tell you next about Uncle Wiggily and Mr. Whitewash.

KING'S DAUGHTERS' ANNUAL CONCERT

Eminent Artists to Give Recitals at Alexandra Club Next Week

The King's Daughters is a patriotic body of women who achieve a vast amount of good in a quiet way, which perhaps lacks the more spectacular efforts of larger organizations of a kindred nature. Rare indeed are their appeals to the public, such appeals being almost wholly confined to the series of annual concerts they inaugurate with so much success several years ago. For this reason it is to be hoped that Victorians will turn out in force for the series of recitals to be given under their auspices on Wednesday and Thursday next, March 20 and 21. These two concerts, to be held at the Alexandra ballroom, will feature William Goodwin, the eminent baritone, the well-known American violinist, Florence Austin and Lea Cronican, pianist.

Mr. Goodwin, who is a Canadian by birth, was for some time the soloist for the New York Philharmonic, the Boston Festival and the Russian Symphony Orchestra, and later was for three years leading baritone with the Aborn Opera Company. His voice has won him the highest praise throughout America and to-day is at the fullness of its perfection.

Miss Austin even in the days of her training won the plaudits of such world-renowned virtuosos as Ysaye and Felix Renard, and was the first American to win the Premier Prize at the celebrated Royal Conservatory of Music at Liege, Belgium. The marvelous student ripened into a player of international renown, and she has scored a triumph in the great cities of Europe and America.

Lee Cronican, the pianist is a soloist of power and brilliancy. He does not, however, appeal through his technique alone, for his major claim to the appreciation of his audience lies in his power to make his interpretations of classical themes so purely elemental that musical education is not necessary to understand them.

The Lieutenant-Governor and Lady Barnard have extended their patronage to the event, and a number of prominent members of the naval and military forces, members of the Legislature, and leading citizens have announced their intention of attending the recitals.

PANTAGES ANNOUNCES BARRYMORE ATTRACTION

Manager Steinfield, of the Pantages Theatre, has secured an Ethel Barrymore attraction for the Pantages screen feature for Monday and Tuesday of next week. Miss Barrymore is one of the most appealing actresses of the screen, as she was of the stage, and "The Call of Her People," in which she will be seen on this occasion, is in many ways an extraordinary production. It is a marvelous screen adaptation of Edward Sheldon's play, "Egypt." The story is lavishly handled and is one of the most effective productions recently released by Metro.

In the picture Ethel Barrymore has an opportunity to display her superb skill as a horsewoman. During the making of the picture, the star was called on to ride at breakneck speed both along rough country roads and through crowded city streets filled with vehicles and pedestrians. Six hundred people took part in the production, and Miss Barrymore rode through this crowd on a spirited horse.

In "The Call of Her People" Miss Barrymore has the part of Egypt, the gypsy girl, who is sent to live among civilized people. Her gypsy sweetheart comes to claim her. He fights with and kills a villager, and is tracked by bloodhounds. Egypt rides post-haste to save him, and by a stratagem gets him out of their hands. He leaps up behind her, and the two ride away.

LAST OPPORTUNITY TO SEE "THE SPY"

To-night Victorians will have the last opportunity of seeing one of the most popular of films that has been here for some time past.

"The Spy" is an expose of German methods of espionage in the United States. It combines a mass of thrills with a lack of unnecessary melodrama and it gives an entertainment that is well worth the price of admission. It is a war story without the superficial battle scenes which producers are now trying to feed to the public.

Dustin Farnum, as usual, does sterling work. He gives to the character of Mark Quintance, the spy, a suave and wholesome good humor, which is in marked contrast to the vivid dramatic scenes of the photoplay. He starts out as a young man of wealth and social standing, who enlists on a dangerous mission to Germany in the cause of his country.

After many hair-raising experiences, he gains possession of a list of Teutonic spies in the United States.

MIRTH IS INFECTIOUS IN "THE SEVEN SWANS"

In filming Paramount's recent photoplay starring Marguerite Clark, a fairy tale entitled "The Seven Swans," which is to be shown at the Royal Theatre for the last time to-night, Director J. Searle Dawley made use of ten or twelve little tots around the ages of two to four years. They are supposed to be listening to a story, and it was necessary that they should appear deeply interested and amused. So Mr. Dawley, standing just out of camera range, told a very brief story, and then, after the fashion of the old-time

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minstrel "laughing" song, began to laugh heartily. So infectious was his mirth that the tiny actors were soon convulsed with laughter, and even Miss Clark herself, sitting among them, was forced to laugh. Verily, the picture director, these days, must be a very gifted individual indeed.

Social Personal

Mrs. W. H. Allington, who with her children has been spending the winter months in Victoria, has returned to her home at Duncan.

Mrs. J. A. Turner, of Victoria, is visiting friends in Vancouver, and was among the guests at a recent theatre party given in honor of Mrs. A. W. Wright, of Prince George.

Albert Spalding, the well-known violinist, now in France with the American forces, has been granted a commission as first lieutenant with one of the United States battalions.

William Reid, an old-timer of Nanaimo, who has resided in that city since the 'sixties, arrived in Victoria on Thursday to take up his residence with his daughter, Mrs. H. W. Little.

A dance under the auspices of the Hollywood branch of the Red Cross is to be given in the auditorium of the Margaret Jenkins School on Tuesday evening, March 19. Dancing is to commence at 8 o'clock and continue until 11.45.

Of especial interest to the many friends of the groom, who will be the announcement of the marriage of Miss Irene Wilcox and Driver Norman E. Elliott, only son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Elliott, 2332 Quadra Street, which took place at Guildford, Surrey, England, recently.

After eighteen years' association with the Presbyterian Church at Courtenay, the Rev. Thos. Menzies concluded his pastorate last Sunday evening. In his farewell address he gave an interesting review of the church's activities since he saw its commencement in a woodshed at Comox.

Victorians who have had the pleasure of hearing Madame Melba, the famous diva, will be delighted to hear of the honor recently bestowed upon her, she having been made a Dame Commander of the Order of the British Empire. Announcement to this effect was made in the colonial honor list recently published in London, Eng.

Lady May, wife of the Governor of Hongkong, who has been spending some months as a guest at the Oak Bay Hotel, was among the passengers on the C. P. R. liner which left for the East this week. Lady May's daughters, the Misses Phoebe and Dorine May, who accompanied her from the Orient, will remain at the hotel for some time.

Lieut. Chas. W. Gordon, of Kamloops, who recently returned from overseas, suffering from trench fever and multiple wounds, has arrived in the city to go before a medical board.

Lieut. Gordon is a son-in-law of Lieut. Col. J. R. Vicars, late of the 172nd Battalion, with which unit Lieut. Gordon went overseas.

Hon. J. W. deB. Farris and Mrs. Farris, who have been staying at the Empress Hotel, have now leased a house in this city. Mrs. Farris has been spending some days in Vancouver making the necessary arrangements and will arrive shortly with her family, to take up her new residence here.

At a recent dinner given by Mrs. Mayne Hamilton, of Ottawa, in honor of her house guest, Miss Brownie Rodwell, of Victoria, the guests included Col. the Hon. Harold Henderson and Mrs. Violet Henderson, Major and Mrs. Coristine, Mrs. Hamilton, of Fort William; Mrs. Hill, Capt. Bulkeley-Johnston, Capt. Murvin Ridley and Major Roy Irwin.

On Wednesday evening Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Emery, of 146 Moss Street, entertained at their home in honor of

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of narcissus, daffodils, and ferns, combined with green crepe paper, the whole representing the work of Miss Walters. Miss Gillman arranged the menu, which in accordance with the patriotic views of the club, conformed strictly to war-time exigencies. Various toasts were proposed and responded to by several club members.

Miss B. Pratt officiating as toast mistress. At the conclusion of the presentation of a Red Cross life membership to Miss Shaw, the president, as a token of the members' appreciation of her very great interest in the club.

and contests evoked much laughter. A pleasing feature of the evening was the presentation of a Red Cross life membership to Miss Shaw, the president, as a token of the members' appreciation of her very great interest in the club.

J. L. Skeene, who has been spending some days in the city making preparations to re-open the Sidney Island Brick and Tile Company's plant, returned to Sidney Island on Thursday. Jelly will not go mouldy if a piece of fresh butter is mixed with it when hot.

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OPENING MEETING

Aims of Victoria West Brotherhood Outlined by Its President Last Night.

The non-political, unsectarian Victoria West Brotherhood, recently established to try to do good work for the community generally, inclusive of the pressing question of food production, and which has leased the Victoria West Athletic building, held its opening meeting in the new headquarters last night, there being a large attendance. A number of new members joined.

The objects of the Association were outlined in an address given by Dr. Raynor, president; W. L. Campbell also addressing the audience on the subject of food cultivation. For the best motto descriptive of the aims of the Brotherhood the first prize of \$5 went to Eva McLennan, 623 Macpherson Avenue, for the words, "Volunteer, Work and Boost," which had the ad-

ditional merit of embracing the three initial letters of the Association. Other motto's close up in the running were "Conserve, Preserve, Deserve and Each Other Serve;" "Do Your Best for Victoria West;" and "Work and Win." On Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock Professor Lionel Stevenson will address the Brotherhood at its new quarters on the subject of Food Production.

WOUNDED IN THIGH

Mr. and Mrs. Adam Durham, of 2612 Douglas Street, have received notification from Ottawa to the effect that their son, Private Adam Durham, was admitted to No. 6 Casualty Clearing Station on March 5, suffering from a gunshot wound in the left thigh.

Private Durham, who lived in the city about five years ago, was in Ottawa at the outbreak of war and left about eighteen months ago with the 154th Battalion, and has seen considerable fighting.

SPRUCE BILL AGAIN THOROUGHLY AIRED

Opposition Leader Still Looks Askance at Centralized Authority

CONCERNED ALSO ABOUT THE ABSENTEE OWNERS

Legislative Press Gallery, March 15.

For some ninety minutes this afternoon the "Spruce Bill" engaged the attention of the House. The Minister of Lands introduced one or two amendments as already referred to in these columns, and before the debate ceased a veritable mass of amendments to amendments had been carefully woven by the Leader of the Opposition, his colleagues. The centre of strife, as in the former discussions on the same Bill, was the amount of authority vested in the Minister and in particular those provisions in the proposed measure which were to permit the Minister of Lands to authorize the entrance upon any lands described in the Minister's permit, "and do all things necessary or convenient for the cutting, removal, and sale of any spruce timber found thereon."

Fiercely Opposed

Mr. Pattullo recapitulated his former stand on the subject, defending the centralization of authority, and again informed the House that forty-eight hours after the passing of the Order-in-Council in January last "things were humming." One of the objections of the Leader of the Opposition and the member for Fort George in the matter of equitable payment for loss and compensation for damage, had been effectively dealt with by the amendment definitely fixing the prices as \$6 for No. 1 logs and \$2.50 for No. 2 logs. The Minister said he had a fitting appreciation of the rights of property.

While he acknowledged that claim he was also disposed to contrast the very necessary invasion of the home and the enlistment of a bread winner at a dollar ten a day with the solicitude manifested by Mr. Bowser for the interest of those in possession of timber lands. "Are we going to stand on ceremony when the Empire is faced with the most ferocious holocaust the world has ever known," exclaimed Mr. Pattullo with a substantial streak of Mr. Bowser's imperialistic fire.

Getting on Well.

Neither was it lost on the Leader of

the Opposition, who described it as "grand imperialism," conveniently forgetting for the moment his several parades with a figurative flag in both hands and a drum accompaniment, more pronounced perhaps during his pillory of those members who had not openly supported the Union Government. However, Mr. Bowser said the Opposition "was getting on well," since its "advice" had resulted in amendments to the Seed Grain Bill, and now the Spruce Bill had been caught under the amendment spell. Mr. Pattullo injected the information that the prices mentioned had been arrived at by arrangement with the Imperial Munitions Board.

Balderdash. The only method that would satisfy the Leader of the Opposition was the good old Order-in-Council way and there followed a good deal of balderdash and a total disregard for the wastage of valuable time. Mr. Bowser, however, sought to "force the pace" by commending to the House the suggestion that the committee rise and drop the matter until Tuesday. His reason for this was a still stout concern for the absentee owner in Seattle, New York or Timbuctoo, because, while the prices fixed between the Board and the Minister might be satisfactory to them, no publicity had been given to it and in the meantime there would be an opportunity for the third party to the transaction to become posted as to "what was going on."

Hawthornthwaite's Punch. Mr. Hawthornthwaite had displayed an obvious fidgetiness at the passing of valuable minutes on camouflage and he came to the defence of the Minister. While admitting that the powers were somewhat extraordinary, so were the times; but if the Empire demanded extraordinary action then it was the duty of the House to see that its action did not become entangled in red tape. Of course, he said, it did not require a magnifying glass to detect Mr. Bowser's defence of the rights of capital. It had to be viewed sensibly, however, because the owners of the timber would be tickled to death to get rid of it at the price in most cases. The Fifth Avenue owner was certainly not contemplating eating the timber. The Minister had to take great responsibilities and the Legislature must assume that he would do the right thing. "But I insist that this House, by reason of the world conditions to-day, grant him the powers he asks," wound up the member for Newcastle amid ministerial cheers.

The Bill was left in Committee.

DANGEROUS SIDEWALK ON RAILWAY BRIDGE

Johnson Street Bridge Question Again Causes Storm in Civic Committee

Any reference to the Johnson Street Bridge question always seems to cause a stir in the Council Chamber and an allusion in the Civic Streets Committee yesterday was no exception to the rule. The occasion was a recommendation to repair the flooring of the footbridge across the Johnson Street Bridge. The Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company claims the responsibility rests with the city under the arrangement of 1909. The Engineer estimated the repairs would cost \$350. The City Solicitor was sent for, and after reading the correspondence he agreed that the responsibility for maintenance lay with the city.

Alderman Porter pointed out that unless the city kept the footbridge in repair the company might close the bridge.

In answer to a question from Alderman Sangster, the Solicitor gave it as his opinion that the city would be responsible in case of accident.

The Old Trouble. Alderman Andros expressed the opinion that the Railway Commissioners would never give a decision, and the intimation, which had been received, that the city and company should get together had never been carried out. "If the company had been approached in a reasonable way," he proceeded, "the matter would have been settled long ago. I regard the Mayor as the block in this thing, because he is not disposed to make any amicable settlement, while the company has offered all kinds of settlements to us. Has some one to drown before an arrangement is reached?" The alderman asked what was the good of spending \$350 if the old bridge was to be taken away? The bridge was unfit for railway traffic and would have to be taken away. The matter should be dealt with by a committee and dealt with at once. He claimed the negotiations could be completed in a week if necessary.

An Absurdity. One of the aldermen suggested the existence of the Johnson Street Bridge Committee, whereupon the answer came that it did not do anything. It was an absurdity to suppose that the Commission would give a ruling under present conditions, Alderman Andros replied.

Alderman Fullerton defended the action of the Council last year and said they were still awaiting a ruling on the main question.

Alderman Walker favored the work being done and a motion recommending that the repairs should be executed at once was carried.

Mayor Todd, being otherwise engaged, did not hear the comments.

Lake Hill Women's Institute.—The Lake Hill Women's Institute will hold their usual monthly meeting in the School on Tuesday next, March 19, at 8 o'clock.

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ST. JOHN'S, Quadra St. Rector, Rev. F. A. P. Chadwick, M.A. 8 a.m., holy communion; 11 a.m., morning prayer; 2.30 p.m., Sunday school and confirmation class; 7.30 p.m., evening prayer; Short organ recital before the evening service.
ST. SAVIOUR'S CHURCH, Victoria W. Rev. R. Connell rector. Morning prayer and holy communion, 11 a.m.; Sunday school, 2.30 p.m.; evening prayer, 7.30 p.m.; the Dean, Intercession service Wednesday, 8 p.m.
ST. MARY'S, Oak Bay, Passion Sunday, 8 a.m., holy communion; 11 a.m., matins and sermon; 7 p.m., evening and sermon. Acting rector, Rev. C. R. Little, B.D.

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ST. COLUMBA, Mitchell and Granite Sts., Oak Bay. Services: 11 a.m. and 7.30 p.m. Subject, morning, "Let Us Play the Man." Evening, "The Responsibility of Life." The pastor, Rev. T. S. Baynes, will preach. Sunday school 2.30 p.m. All welcome.
KNOX CHURCH, Stanley Avenue. Rev. Joseph M. C. M.A. Morning, 11 o'clock. "Man's Responsibility in Relation to the Divine Personality." Evening, 7.30 p.m. "The Folly of Mere Human Philosophy."

METHODIST.
METROPOLITAN CHURCH, cor. Pandora and Gladys Sts. Minister, Rev. H. S. Osborne, B.A., B.D. 10 a.m., morning classes; 11 a.m., public worship; the pastor, 2.30 p.m., Sunday school and Bible classes; 7.30 p.m., public worship, the pastor. Splendid music. Organ recital 7 p.m. Strangers, soldiers, sailors, everybody cordially invited.
CENTENNIAL, George Road, near Government. Rev. A. S. Colwell, B.A., pastor. 11 a.m., Rev. Dr. Sanford, Principal of Columbian College; 7.30 p.m., the pastor, subject, "Our Duty in the Present Crisis."
FAIRFIELD, cor. Fairfield and Moss St. Rev. A. B. Osterhout, pastor. At 11 o'clock by the pastor, Miss Lotus Griffith will sing. 7.30 p.m., Mr. Green will preach.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE.
FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, Scientist, 325 Pandora Avenue. Services are held on Sundays at 11 a.m. and 7.30 p.m. Subject for Sunday, March 17, "Substance." Testimonial meetings every Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. Visitors welcome.

MISCELLANEOUS.
CHRISTADELPHIAN HALL, 190 North Park Street. Sunday school at 10 a.m.; breaking of bread, 11 a.m.; evening, 7.30 p.m.
EVANGELIST G. O. BENNETT, Vancouver, will give a talk at the Zion Sunday school, Chambers and Queen Streets, Sunday, 3 o'clock, and will preach at Cloverdale Hall at 7.30 p.m. subject being "The Journey From Jerusalem to Jericho."
HIGHER THOUGHT.—Free lecture in Foresters' Hall, Broad St., at 7.30 p.m. by F. E. Plummer. Subject, "Is Spiritualism True." Psychic messages. All welcome.
FIRST SPIRITUAL CHURCH meets at St. John's Hall, Herald Street. Speakers—3 p.m., H. Hood, subject "Life"; 7.30 p.m., Mrs. Hes will speak on Faith. Solist, H. Griffiths. Circles Monday and Thursday, 8 p.m.

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10.30—"God Forbidding Men to Pray."
7.30—"Plowing With An Ox and An Ass."

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Miss Barr will sing.
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Emmanuel Baptist Church
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7.30 p.m.—The Lost Word.
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DRASTIC PROGRAMME FOR BRITISH LABOR

Manifesto of Sub-Committee Considered by Vagabonds' Club

FOUR GREAT PILLARS TO PARTY'S STRUCTURE

"Labor and the New Social Order," the proposed reconstruction programme of the British Labor Party prepared by a sub-committee of the executive for the party's consideration, an article which, since its publication some weeks ago has been widely reviewed throughout both Great Britain and the United States, was the subject to which the Vagabonds' Club, an organization numbering in its membership representatives of Parliament, of the clergy, numerous professional men, artisans and laborers, devoted its attention on Thursday evening.

As a proposed programme, "Labor and the New Social Order" is a draft, subject to modifications before adoption as the official platform of the British Labor Party. The importance of the programme, which in itself is drastic in character, can best be judged when it is realized that it has been formulated by one of Great Britain's most powerful parties, a party which, it is said, will contest almost every constituency at the next general election.

Definite Principles.
Preparatory to entering upon the full discussion of social and financial reconstruction, the manifesto of the sub-committee points out that it behooves the Labor Party in formulating its programme after the war and in criticizing various preparations and plans, to look at the problem as a whole. It is important, in the mind of the committee, to make clear that its "detailed practical proposals proceed from definitely held principles."

Dealing with the Labor Party's attitude to present European civilization, the author of the manifesto refers to Count Okuma, one of Japan's ablest statesmen, who declares the present world strife to be the death of European civilization. "We of the Labor party," the writer continues, "can so far agree in this estimate as to recognize in the present world catastrophe, if not the death in Europe of civilization itself, at any rate the culmination and collapse of a distinctive industrial civilization which the workers will not seek to reconstruct. We must insure that what is presently to be built up is a new social order based not on fighting but on fraternity, not on the competitive struggle for the means of bare life but on a deliberately-planned co-operation in production and distribution for the benefit of all who participate by hand or by brain; not on the utmost possible inequality of riches but on a systematic approach towards a healthy equality of material circumstances."

Four Pillars.
Considering the structure which the Labor Party purports to raise, the author sets forth what his committee considers a comprehensive plan for this immediate social rebuilding which any ministry, he feels, whether or not it desires to grapple with the problem, will be driven to undertake. The four great pillars of the new social structure resting upon the common foundation of the democratic control of society in all its activities may be termed: The Universal Enforcement of the National Minimum; The Democratic Control of Industry; The Revolution in National Finance; and The Surplus Wealth for the Common Good. Each of these requires intensive treatment by the writer.

National Minimum.
"The first principle of the Labor party," he says, "is the securing to every member of the community in good times and bad alike of all the requisites of healthy life and worthy citizenship." Continuing he sets forth that the proposal is in no way a class one. Such an amount of social protection of the individual, however poor and lowly from birth to death is indispensable to fruitful co-operation and affords the safeguard against that insidious degradation of the standard of life which, he feels, to be the worst economic and social calamity to which any community can be subjected. The coming industrial dislocation to which the writer refers, which will inevitably follow the discharge from war service of vast armies, imposes new obligations upon the community. The Labor party commits itself to a fixed policy to release first the kinds of labor most urgently required for the revival of peace production. The author opines that the Liberal and Conservative ranks have thus far failed to consider the matter worthy of consideration. The policy protests against dealing with the matter of the returned soldier as a question of charity.

Control of Industry.
"What marks off this party most distinctly is its demand for the full and genuine adoption of the principle of democracy," continues the manifesto. "The first condition of democracy is effective personal freedom. The Labor party declares emphatically against any continuance of the Military Service Acts a moment longer than the imperative requirements of the war excuse. It demands democracy in industry as well as in Government. What the Labor party looks to is a genuinely scientific reorganization of the nation's industry, no longer deflected by individual profiteering." It further stands for immediate nationalization of railways, mines and the production of electrical power and adds that until the nation appropriates the profit-making industrial insurance



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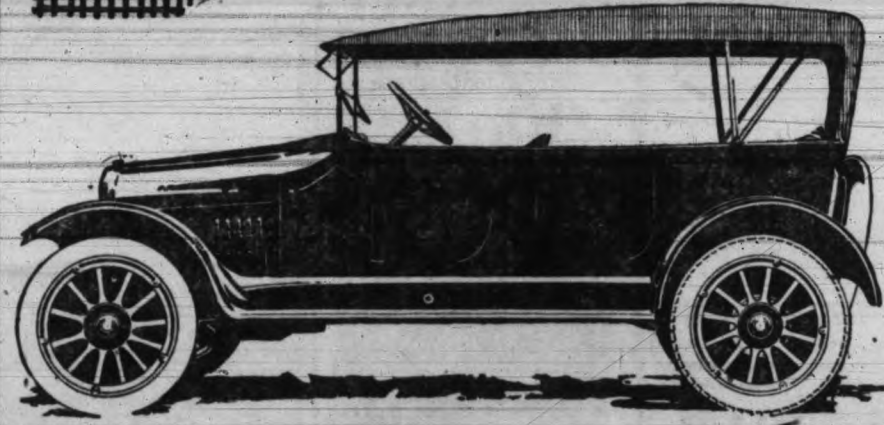
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"Over this issue of how the financial burden of the war is to be borne," goes on the author, "the Labor party claims the support of four-fifths of the whole nation, for the interests of the clerk, the teacher, the doctor, the minister of religion, the average retail shopkeeper and trader and all the masses of those living on small incomes are identical with those of the artisan."

For the Common Good.
One pillar of the structure which the

manifesto says the Labor party intends to build is the future appropriation of the surplus; not to the enlargement of individual fortunes, but to the common good.

"With regard to that great commonwealth of all races, all colors, all religions, and all degrees of civilization, that we call the British Empire, the Labor party stands for its maintenance and its progressive development on the lines of local autonomy and 'Home Rule All Round.'"

In conclusion the manifesto declares that although the purpose of the Labor party must remain for all time unchanged, its policy and programme will undergo perpetual development, making a finer adjustment of measures to ends. "If law," the writer concludes, "is the mother of freedom, science to the Labor party must be the parent of law."

The WEATHER
Daily Bulletin Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, March 16—5 a.m.—The barometer remains abnormally low over Northern B. C. and southerly gales prevail on the coast while heavy rains have occurred on the Lower Mainland. Mild weather is now general from the coast to Manitoba.

—Reports.
Victoria—Barometer, 30.01; temperature, maximum yesterday, 64; minimum, 42; wind, 4 miles N.; rain, 22; cloudy.
Vancouver—Barometer, 30.02; temperature, maximum yesterday, 49; minimum, 42; wind, 8 miles E.; rain, 1.34; raining.
Prince Rupert—Barometer, 30.16; tem-

perature, maximum yesterday, 50; minimum, 32; calm; rain, 30; cloudy.

Temperature.	Max.	Min.
Kamloops	60	40
Barkerville	60	40
Tatooche	62	42
Portland, Ore.	66	46
Seattle	62	42
Pasadena	63	43
Nelson	65	45
Grand Forks	66	46
Calgary	66	46
Edmonton	64	44
Qu'Appelle	60	40
Winnipeg	64	44
Toronto	62	42
Ottawa	66	46
Montreal	60	40
St. John	64	44

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Reformed Episcopal Church Ladies' Aid will hold an Easter Sale on Wednesday afternoon, March 20, in Schoolroom, Humboldt Street. Many attractions.

Public Dance every Saturday evening at Alexandra Ballroom. Organ's Orchestra. Mrs. Boyd, manager.

To Speak on Social Evil.—In the First Presbyterian Church on Tuesday evening, Dr. Ernest Hall is to deliver an address on "The Social Evil and Its Deleterious Effect on Child Life." Dr. Raynor and other medical men will also be present to speak on this vitally important subject, and it is anticipated that there will be a big attendance.

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Goes Over Until Tuesday.—The Chinese restaurant case which has occupied considerable time in the City Police Court this week was adjourned yesterday. The hearing will be resumed on Tuesday.

Shipyards Commission.—It is understood that the carpenter phase of the shipyard's dispute will be one of the matters to be gone into at the session of the Commission on Monday, when the official representative of the Carpenters and Joiners' Association, as well as other witnesses, is expected to give evidence.

Protection of Cameron Mills.—At the meeting of the Civic Streets Committee yesterday it was stated that the Cameron Lumber Company is installing a steam pump at the mill, Garbally Road, for fire protecting purposes. Until the work has been finished no action will be taken with regard to the proposal to extend the water mains in order to increase pressure in the district. This request was preferred after the fire last summer, and renewed two weeks ago.

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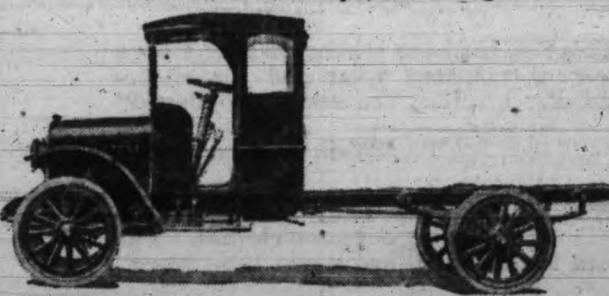
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IRISH CONCERT

Local Artists Gave Fine Programme Before Big Audience at Victoria West Last Night.

A packed house greeted the members of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church last night when they presented their Irish and Scottish programme in Temple's Hall, Victoria West. Rev. Dr. McLean occupied the chair.

The programme commenced with an address on St. Patrick, by J. G. Brown, followed by numbers by the choir and soloists, every one of which was thoroughly enjoyed. Mr. Fairley's solos were perhaps the gems of this part of the programme, although Mrs. Bessley's and Mrs. Butler's songs were both much appreciated. The selections of Irish airs by W. Bryce were artistically rendered, a solo and chorus by Miss Foss and choir was nicely sung, and the humorous stories, etc., by Mr. Semple kept the audience in good humor.

The second part of the programme was devoted to Scottish song and story and the choruses in this part could not be improved upon. Miss Wallace with her spirited rendering of bagpipe solos stirred the audience to marked enthusiasm. Mr. Walker amused the audience with his droll rendering of the story "Don the Water." Mr. Bryce's Scottish selections of the violin proved a great attraction. Mr. Brown's Scottish songs were much enjoyed, and he was warmly encored. Much credit for the success of the entertainment was due to Mrs. Lewis Hall, who had charge of the programme and general arrangements, and also made an efficient accompanist.

SUCCESSFUL EVENT

James Bay Branch Nets About \$100 as Result of Silver Tea.

As the result of the very successful silver tea and sale of work held at the James Bay branch of the Red Cross yesterday afternoon, the funds of that branch will be augmented by about one hundred dollars.

Mrs. Wilkinson, the convener, welcomed the guests, and Mr. Landsberg, the treasurer, officiated as master of the ceremonies.

Mrs. R. Chadwick and Mrs. McMoran had an attractive flower table, and Mrs. Dallain and Mrs. Charlesworth found ready buyers for their stock of home cooked dainties. Mrs. Lewthwaite and Mrs. White dispensed delectable candies and Mrs. Warlock and Mrs. Anthony conducted the raffle table. Dainty refreshments were served by the tea committee, numbering Mrs. Howard Chapman, Mrs. John Hall, Mrs. Thomas, Miss Adams, Mrs. MacDougall, Misses Emily Elworthy and Violet Powles. Mrs. Cameron had charge of the silver shower. Mrs. Herbert Penderay distributed novelties from her wonderful hundred-pocket dress.

A number of raffles were conducted during the afternoon and won by the following: Mrs. O. Copas, Mrs. Wilson, of Michigan Street; H. Brown, Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. Doble, Mrs. Butler, Mrs. Wilson, of Government Street; Mrs. Powles, Mrs. Shepherd, Mrs. W. M. Gardner and Mrs. Broderick while Mrs. Macdonald won a guessing contest. During the afternoon Mrs. F. A. McDiarmid, president of the Women's Canadian Club, gave a talk outlining the club's scheme for forming community canning clubs, and on the motion of Dr. Helen Ryan, it was decided to organize a committee to further the movement in James Bay.

LEAVES THE CITY

H. B. Campbell, of Halifax School for Blind, Expresses Appreciation of Reception.

H. B. Campbell, of the faculty of the Halifax School for the Blind, who has been in the city during the past week, left yesterday afternoon for Vancouver, where he will conduct a campaign similar to that held in this city. Mr. Campbell is working in the interests of an endowment fund to make possible the continuance of the work on a more permanent basis. After spending a week in Vancouver Mr. Campbell will continue his work returning across the Dominion.

Prior to leaving Victoria Mr. Campbell extended his cordial thanks to the press and various organizations for his kindly reception. Contributions to the fund will be accepted by Mrs. D. Miller, Municipal Secretary of the I. O. O. F., at the Arcade Building. Mr. Campbell was particularly grateful to the organizations which had given him an opportunity to speak before them. Among these were the Ladies' Musical Club, the Women's Canadian Club and the Victoria Rotary Club.

On Tuesday next Mr. Campbell will address the Rotary Club of Vancouver.

Agricultural Food Production Committee.—The Minister of Agriculture will receive a delegation from the Agricultural Food Production Committee of the Board of Trade on Wednesday at 10 a. m., when the delegation will present the resolution adopted at their last meeting asking the Government to commandeer uncultivated lands.

Skovgaard Concert.—Great interest is being shown in the Skovgaard recital to be given at the Empress Hotel on Monday night, and indications point to a "capacity house" for the occasion. The Ladies' Musical Club arranged the event in aid of the Halifax School for the Blind and they anticipate realizing a goodly sum for this very deserving institution.

Rev. Ben. Spence Summoned.—The Toronto police yesterday seized two hundred copies of the banned Canadian edition of "The Parasite," the joint work of Arthur Mee and Rev. Ben. Spence, secretary of the Ontario branch of the Dominion Alliance. Mr. Spence is well known in Victoria. The books were seized at his residence at Toronto, and he was later served with a summons to appear in the Police Court Tuesday next on a charge of having the books in his possession, contrary to censorship orders. The book was put under the ban in Canada some time ago. Mr. Spence had several thousand of the Canadian edition printed, and 10,000 of these are still under seal of the Dominion Gov-



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ernment at the Methodist Book Room. Mr. Spence recently appealed to the censor at Ottawa in vain for the removal of the ban.

VICTORIA THE NORTHWEST AND THE WORLD

WILLARD-FULTON GO NOW LOOKS CERTAIN

Battle Will Be Over the Long Distance Route; Place Not Settled

Kansas City, March 16.—Jess Willard, heavyweight pugilistic champion, and Fred Fulton, of Rochester, Minn., aspirant to the title, will meet in the ring July 4, Col. J. M. Miller, of Oklahoma, promoter, announced here last night. Col. Miller said that Fulton had been guaranteed \$20,000, and that there would be a side bet of \$5,000.

Miller and Collins each deposited cheques for \$1,000, it was announced, as a guarantee of the fight.

The Fulton-Willard match, Colonel Miller said, would automatically cancel the proposed bout between Fulton and Jack Dempsey at Atlantic City, N. J., part of the agreement being that Fulton would not fight again until he meets Willard.

"We propose to hold the fight wherever the laws allow a long bout," Col. Miller said. "We feel that it should be not less than twenty rounds. Willard has told me he is willing to fight to a finish."

At the conference on April 1, in addition to choosing the place for holding the match, and determining its length, the officials also will be chosen, Col. Miller said.

Fulton was picked as Willard's opponent for the championship bout because he knocked out Frank Moran a few weeks ago in New Orleans, Col. Miller said. He declared that Fulton virtually had been promised a chance to meet the champion if he would stop Moran. Willard, he said, thought that the man who could stop Moran in four rounds was entitled to a chance at the championship.

Y. M. C. A. BASKETBALL TEAM DEFEATED WESTS IN GAME LAST NIGHT

A basketball game between the Y. M. C. A. and the Victoria West team of the New Brotherhood was played last evening on the floor of the Victoria West Athletic Association gymnasium. As was expected, the Y. M. C. A. quintette was able to carry off the honors with a fairly wide margin, the score being forty-eight to sixteen.

The teams line up as follows:
Y. M. C. A.—Clemence, Sergt. Grant, T. Nute, Archie and Angus McKinnon.
Victoria Wests—G. Corlie, C. Brown, S. McKay, C. Fairall, Stanley Ross.

The Y. M. C. A. boys proved a little too fast for the veterans, whose limbs were not limbered up to the degree enjoyed by their opponents. With a little practice, however, the Wests expect to give their rivals a hard struggle in the near future.

CONNIE MACK MAKES ANNOUNCEMENT OF PHILADELPHIA TEAM

Philadelphia, March 16.—Connie Mack, manager of the Philadelphia Athletics, last night announced the list of players from which he will build his team this year. The surprise in the list is the re-appearance of Rube Oldring, who was a member of the Athletics when they were the world champions. He quit baseball several years ago and engaged in farming in South New Jersey. The list is as follows:

Pitchers—Elmer Myers, Vean Gregg, William Adams, John Watson, Frank Pahey, Robert George, Joseph Hauser.

Catchers—James McAvoy, Forest Cady, Ralph Perkins.

Infielders—George Burns, Morris Shannon, Joseph Dugan, Larry Gardner, James Dykes, C. B. Davidson.

Outfielders—Charles Jamieson, Clarence Walker, Rube Oldring, Martin Kopp.

OAK BAY RED CROSS POSTPONES SCHOOL SPORTS TILL JULY

The big sporting event of Victoria Day will be the Red Cross track and field meet at the Royal Athletic Park. The statement was made this morning that the Oak Bay Branch of the local Red Cross Society had decided to postpone the school sports, which were to have been held at the Oak Bay ball park until July 1. This will make possible a concentration of effort on the event at the Royal Athletic.

Victorians will recall the successful sports held at the Royal Athletic Park last year. The committees undertaking the work of organization have already entered upon their activities.

SAILOR TEAMS PLAY AT ROYAL ATHLETIC

This afternoon two teams of H. M. Cruiser now in port will do battle on the soccer field of the Royal Athletic Park. The engine room department has decided to tackle the rest of the ship.

The teams chosen are as follows: Engineer room Department—Priest, Mays and Bray; Wolf, Collendando and Emery; McCarthy, A. N. Other, Henry, Hooper and Briggs. Reserves, Hillier and Weeks.

Rest of Ship—Crisp, Hanahett and Thompson; Hewson, Thompson and Pelling; Haughey, Bryder, Whelan, West and Bain.

BASKETBALL BUG MAKES INROADS AT LOCAL CAMP

No. 1 Company Takes Rival No. 3 Over Course to Defeat at Willows

It appears that soccer has nothing on the basketball bug which has taken possession of the Willows Camp. When a battalion of men are confined within the narrow limits of a camp for any length of time surplus energy may be restrained for a time, but there comes the inevitable period when an outlet must be found. This time it looks like a general overflow.

Last evening the great sports pavilion at the Willows was packed with practically every man the camp could muster. The 2nd Depot Battalion, numbering four strong companies has organized for a war of basketball and a heated action took place last evening. Wagering was pretty heavy from both sides of the line, but as is not infrequently the case, prophecies proved false. The match was between Number One Company and its rival Number Three, the former winning by a score of 14-5.

For some days Number Three had been regarded in camp circles as the brilliant squad. In fact their conquests had been such that terror had been carried, it was thought, to the very heart of all opponents. Last evening, however, the pride of Number Three received a crushing blow when Number One carried victory to the centre of the enemies' camp. With the start of the game things looked promising for the favored quintette, but fortune decreed that events should take a different course, when the premier company demoralized completely the efforts of their opponents. From that moment the result of the game was never a matter of doubt. The winners piled on the points until at the close of the first period the score stood at 8-0 favoring Number One.

The second period started on the high gear, but despite all efforts of Number Three it was unable to grapple with the aggressive enemy. After obtaining a lead of fourteen points the leaders slowed up and Number Three scored eight points. Last night's victory makes the second that Number One has tucked away. As the club now has only to meet Number Two, which was overwhelmed by last night's losses Number One's chances of annexing the lead look very bright.

SEATTLE FOOTBALL MEN LOOK FOR WIN

Local Navy Soccerists Arrived at Sound City Last Evening

Seattle, March 16.—The soccer team of the British battleship H. M. S. Rainbow will oppose an all-star Seattle eleven at Liberty park to-morrow afternoon. A hard game is expected, as the visitors have a long string of victories to their credit.

Game Was Postponed.

This game was scheduled for last Sunday, but a slight outbreak of measles in Victoria, B. C., where the Rainbow is now stationed, caused a postponement. The sailor boys arrived here last night and are guests at the Georgian Hotel, where they will stay until Sunday night. They will visit the United States naval station at the university campus and also the shipyards to-day.

The team selected to do duty for Seattle is a crackjack, and local soccerists will be surprised if the Canadians score a victory to-morrow. Mair to Referee.

Johnnie Mair, a well-known figure in Northwest soccer circles, has been chosen to officiate as referee and he will start the teams off at 3:15 sharp. The entire proceeds will be donated equally between the Seattle and the Victoria Red Cross Associations.

The Seattle lineup will be as follows: Traher, McGrath, Daly, Owens, Weir (capt.), J. McLean, Horsley, McKillop, Overton, O'Donnell, Douglas, Reserves: Clark, goal; Ollerton, back; R. McLean, half-back; Carmichael, forward.

FURTHER GAMES PLAYED IN EMPRESS HANDICAP

The following games were decided last evening in the new billiard handicap at the Empress Hotel:
Irish (owes 175) beat Humber (receives 25) by 93 points. Irish made a number of useful breaks, including 67, 45, 41, four 30's and numerous 20's.
Smith (owes 100) beat Murray (owes 40) by 70 points. Smith's best break was 24 and Murray's 25.

Frost (owes 25) beat Robertson by 106 points. Frost made a nice break of 48 unfinished and Robertson's best was 21.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., March 16.—Phil Bloom, of Brooklyn, N. Y., was awarded the referee's decision over Johnny Martin, of this city, at the end of a twelve-round bout here last night.

GREAT RUGBY PLAYER TO JOIN THE FLYERS

"Jim" Wylie, Former All-Black, Has Great Sporting Record

Vancouver, March 16.—"Jim" Wylie, one of the most famous rugby footballers in the world, left the city yesterday for the East, where he is to take up the training course of the Royal Flying Corps. He has been in the city the past three days, having come up from California and has been the guest of Reggie Woodward.

Wylie sacrificed for a song a fine ranch he had in California so that he could enter the Royal Flying Corps without delay, having been told by the American authorities, with whom he was in negotiation for six months, that he could not join an American unit as he had not completed his naturalization papers.

Few men are better known in rugby circles than Wylie. He has the reputation of being the finest forward that has ever played the game. He first came to the Pacific Coast as a member of the famous All-Black team of Australia, and remained in California after that team returned home, entering Stanford University and taking a mining engineer's course. While with Stanford University, Wylie for two years led his team to victory in the fight for the California varsity championship.

Wylie has the rare distinction of having won his first international cap as a footballer in New Zealand when he was eighteen years old. Not only that, but he won three more international caps playing with Australian teams. Besides that he was a grand gamesman and rowed seven and four with representative Sydney teams. Besides having played with the All-Blacks he has played with the Wallabies.

All Vancouver sportsmen who have met Wylie speak in highest terms of him as an athlete and a man and best wishes will follow him from a host of Pacific Coast friends who hope the game he is now about to enter.

CASEY OFFERS TROPHY FOR INTERNATIONAL AMATEUR ICE TITLE

Montreal, March 16.—A trophy to be emblematic of the championship of amateur hockey in the United States and Canada has been donated by John F. Casey, of Pittsburgh. He has nominated as trustees of the trophy Art Ross, of Montreal; J. Kelly, of New York, and Roy Schooley, of Pittsburgh. Mr. Ross is willing to accept the trophy trusteeship on condition that the trophy, so far as Canada is concerned, shall only be competed for by winners of the Art Ross cup, which he considers should remain in this country and be held by the champion amateur team of the Dominion.

The first games for the new trophy probably will be played this spring at Pittsburgh, between a Montreal team and a club from the United States.

PROSPECTS FOR LEAGUE TO REPLACE DEFUNCT INTERNATIONAL BRIGHT

Toronto, March 16.—It was stated here last night on the authority of people quite close to the owners of the Toronto Ball Club that the formation of a six-team league to replace the defunct International League is now practically assured. The cities named as likely to be represented in the new league—the name of which has not been settled—are as follows: Buffalo, Toronto, Baltimore, Newark, Jersey City and Rochester.

OFFICER TOOK SOME TALL PERSUADING

London, March 16.—The manner in which sport plays a part in the training of Canadian troops here is interestingly described by a Canadian soldier-sportsman, who writes in the Sporting Life:

"It is no exaggeration to say," he observes, "that out of the first 30,000 who left Canada's shores in the autumn of 1914, more than half were active participants in one form or other of Canada's sporting pastimes. The officer well remembers the look of horror which suffused the features of a C. O. at a Canadian training school—a well-meaning and thoroughly conscientious officer—when the schedule of training was submitted for approval, and which included in the proposed curriculum, baseball, 4 to 5 p.m., Tuesday and Friday; football, 3 to 5, Wednesday and Saturday.

"The worthy C. O., a studious commandant, thoroughly in sympathy with the welfare of the men in his command, a strict martinet for military etiquette and discipline, took some little convincing before the 'innovation,' as he termed it, was sanctioned."

TITLE UNSETTLED.

Oshawa, Ont., March 16.—Still unsettled is the intermediate championship of the O. H. A. after the second game of the finals here last night between Collingwood and Oshawa. The locals made a comeback and blanked the Collingwood puck chasers with three goals, making it four to four on the round. It is understood that the teams will play off in Toronto. Lawson Whitehead, of Toronto, was referee.

PRESBYTERIAN TEAM TO PLAY ALL-STARS

Duncan and Chemainus Ladies Unite Against Local Champions

The Presbyterian Ladies' basketball team is again on the warpath. The club is in receipt of a challenge from an all-star aggregation representing Duncan and Chemainus and has set forth to do battle this evening with the invaders. That the game will be lively is certain.

The Presbyterian Ladies have a great reputation to uphold. So far this season the team has not lost a game and the players from the Island groups are determined to break this record. Only a couple of weeks ago the locals defeated the Dunstan team and are thus confident of success in their present enterprise.

The teams will line-up as follows:
Island All-Stars—Centre, Ann Robertson (Duncan); forwards, Kate Robertson (Duncan), June Ventress (Chemainus); guards, Lottie Rutledge (Duncan); Mrs. Long (Chemainus).
Presbyterian—Centre, Bee Briggs; forwards, Mary Hannan, Gay Pauley; guards, Bessie Harkness, Ruby Harkness; spare, Jean Taylor.

Y. M. C. A. JUNIORS WILL HOLD GALA ON THURSDAY NEXT

Officials of the Y. M. C. A. Junior Swimming Club announced this morning the date for the next gala. The event will be held in the "Y" pool Thursday evening, March 21.

The programme which is now in the course of preparation will present many and varied features. There will be two events for girls, exhibitions by diving teams and a match of water polo. A little comedy will also be included in the show.

The Junior Swimming Club is noted for its pep and promptitude in the promotion of galas, and it is anticipated the coming one will measure to the standards of those held in the past.

High School Activities

Girls' Basketball Team Atones for Past Defeats; Portia Society Hears Short Addresses; Student Body Works for Patriotic Fund of School.

By defeating Oak Bay in a hard game played on the floor of the Y. M. C. A. last night the girls' basketball team of the Victoria High School retrieved its reputation and put itself in the running for the Thompson Cup.

Although the victors showed themselves at all times superior to their opponents, their shooting prevented them from winning by a large margin and the final score was nine to seven. The game was characterized throughout by vigorous, almost rough checking, and an absence of finesse and teamwork. Again and again the Victoria quintette would end a splendid rush with a poor shot, and at other times whole volleys would miss the basket. However, at half time the local girls had gained a lead of three points. During the latter part of the tussle Oak Bay rallied, and the issue seemed doubtful for a few minutes. But the V. H. S. team made up in defence what it lacked in shooting, and its checking was so close that when the final whistle blew Oak Bay had failed to equalize accounts.

Played Normal School.

Before a large crowd of enthusiastic spectators the girls' basketball team of the V. H. S. went down to defeat at the hands of the Normal School quintette in a fast game played on the local floor last Wednesday. Although both teams were in good trim, and most of the playing centred around the High School basket, the Normal girls who were performing on a strange gymnasium, proved themselves the better shots. The home team showed deplorable weakness in this respect, due, doubtless, to a lack of practice, and, in spite of their hard checking, when time was called, they were four points behind their opponents. The final score being nine to five.

Portia Society.

At the Portia meeting on Wednesday short speeches were the order of the day.

Miss Dorothy Walsh sketched the career of John Redmond, who had done so much to forward the interests of the

Irish Nationalist party, and whose recent death is particularly to be deplored at this time.

Miss Christine Ross chose for her subject "Camouflage," describing its different uses in connection with every branch of our defence, and introducing her speech by the descriptive sentence "Everybody knows camouflage is like what it isn't."

Lastly, Miss Elsie Wilby discussed the life and work of Henry Whinstanley, the builder of the first Eddystone Lighthouse.

Self-Denial Campaign.

"Give it up for the sake of the boys at the front," is the watchword of a self-denial campaign now being waged in the High School with the object of raising funds for the continuance of the work of the Patriotic Society. By means of boxes placed in convenient parts of the building the money formerly spent on movie shows, ice cream and other juvenile pleasures, is collected. The movement has received the whole-hearted support of the students, who, during the past two weeks have foregone their customary luxuries to the extent of \$38.50. If the same enthusiasm prevails through the next fortnight a considerable sum should be realized by the end of the month, when the campaign will be concluded. A visitor to the institution at present would be surprised to see, on all sides, the small red, white and blue ribbon which signifies that the wearer has, by self-denial in some direction, contributed to the cause.

Sears Cup.

Vancouver, March 16.—An unusually warm contest for the Sears Cup, the blue ribbon of the school debates, is promised this year. The elimination contest will be held to-day, when King Edward, King George and South Vancouver will debate the following resolution: "Resolved that coal, oil, natural gas and water power should be owned and controlled by the Government." The winners of this debate will then meet the Victoria school,

present holders of the trophy. The members of the Vancouver teams are: King Edward, D. Baker, W. Winch, J. Shire and E. C. Chapman; King George, G. H. Scott, L. Trory and E. Woodburn; South Vancouver, S. Gale, F. Nelson, H. Gunning and C. H. Sing.

AUGIE KIECKHEFER IS STILL WORLD'S THREE CUSHION TITLEHOLDER

Chicago, March 16.—Augie Kieckhefer, of Chicago, retained his title as world's-three-cushion billiard champion by defeating Robert Cannefax, of St. Louis, 54 to 42, in last night's play, giving him a total of 150 for the three nights' play, against Cannefax's 142. Kieckhefer, led by 18 points at one time, but Cannefax by a brilliant spur game within four points of catching him. To-night's block went 64 innings.

SIX-MAN HOCKEY FOR AMATEUR GAME WILL BE DOMINION TITLE

Toronto, March 16.—The officials of the Manitoba and Saskatchewan hockey associations who were present at the Allen Cup series played in Toronto, decided they were strong with seven-man hockey for all time to come.

They are thoroughly convinced that the six-man game is the superior and that three twenty-minute periods provide better hockey than two thirty-minute halves. The Canadian Amateur Hockey Association has decided to provide uniform rules for the whole Dominion for next year on the basis of six-man hockey.

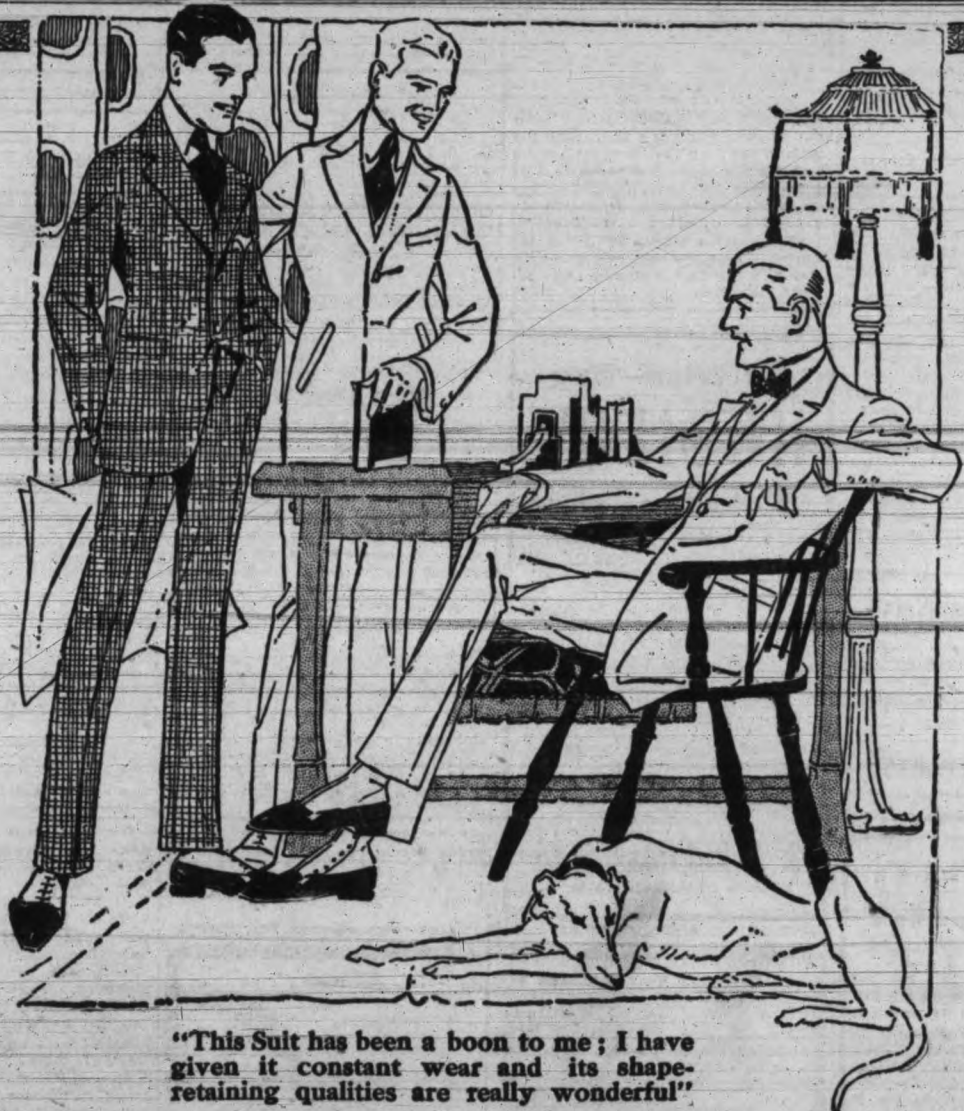
PLAY GREAT HOCKEY.

Cleveland, Ohio, March 16.—Playing the brand of hockey that Cleveland sometimes needs—about, but seldom sees, the Dentals of Toronto, 1917, Canadian amateur hockey champions, last night smashed the winning streak of the Cleveland team, and in a great exhibition were victorious by a score of four to one.

IN PUGILISTIC ANNALS.

1911—Mike Gibbons knocked out Art Godfrey in the fourteenth round at Minneapolis.

1912—Sam McVey defeated Jim Barry in twenty rounds at Sydney, Australia.



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ON INITIAL VOYAGE

Somewhat Less Pretentious Than Other Crack Ships of N. Y. K. Fleet

Making the fifth of the half dozen crack vessels of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha fleet to be pressed into the trans-Pacific service, the Japanese steamship Atsuta Maru, of 35,900 tons displacement, reached port this morning on her initial voyage in this trade.

The Atsuta Maru is one of a fleet of five steamships which preceded the Fushimi and Katori type in the N. Y. K. service between Japan and Europe, the others being the Kamo, Hiran, Mishima and Kitano. She is a vessel of 7,974 gross and 4,962 net tons, with a length of 483 feet. She has accommodation for eight-three first-class passengers, twenty-eight in the second cabin and 200 in the steerage quarters. Her speed is seventeen knots.

Favorable Passage.

The Atsuta Maru, which is commanded by Capt. K. Inadzu, who has previously seen service on this route, crossed from Yokohama in fifteen days and with the exception of a couple of moderate gales, experienced a favorable passage.

While not to be compared with the magnificent passenger vessels that have been seen here under the N. Y. K. flag, the Atsuta Maru is equipped with fine passenger quarters on three decks, and furthermore she is a splendid cargo carrier. The Kamo Maru her sister ship, is scheduled to follow the Atsuta from Japan.

Oriental Cargo.

The liner brought in 7,000 tons of general Oriental cargo, including 2,611 bales of raw silk, the latter shipment being valued at about \$2,000,000. She is discharging 872 tons of freight at this port.

The Passengers.

Of the 166 passengers carried by the Atsuta, fifty-six disembarked here, the remainder being routed to Seattle. W. Nicolle, a business man, who has spent several years in Japan, is on his way to the United States.

Representing the Japanese Department of Agriculture and Commerce, T. Goh was also a through passenger aboard the liner. His mission, which has to do with the purchase of supplies, will take him as far as London.

WIRELESS REPORTS

8 a. m., March 16.

Point Grey—Overcast; S. E. fresh; 29.54; 44; sea moderate.
Cape Lazo—Rain; S. E. fresh; 29.84; 42; sea moderate.

Pachena—Rain; S. E.; 29.84; 47; sea rough.
Alert Bay—Rain; S. E. light; 29.48; 41; sea rough.

Triangle—Overcast; S. E. light; 29.70; 45; sea rough. Spoke str Prince George, 5.50 p. m., off Pine Island, southbound; spoke str Princess Beatrice, 10.50 p. m., Queen Charlotte Sound, northbound; spoke str Princess Maquinna, 10.40 p. m., off Reef Point, southbound; spoke str Princess Ena, 2.45 a. m., off Ivory Island, southbound.

Dead Tree Point—Rain; calm; 29.59; 36; sea smooth.

Ikedu Bay—Rain; S. E.; 29.08; 39; sea moderate.

Prince Rupert—Rain; calm; 29.42; 42; sea smooth.

Noon.

Point Grey—Overcast; S. E. light; 29.55; 50; sea smooth.

Cape Lazo—Rain; S. E. fresh; 29.82; 44; sea moderate. Spoke str Venture, beam Ivory Island, southbound.

Pachena—Rain; S. E. strong; 29.83; 49; sea rough. Spoke str Tees 9 a. m. off Sechart, northbound.

Estevan—Rain; S. E. fresh; 29.55; 43; sea rough.

Alert Bay—Rain; S. E. light; 29.48; 43; sea smooth.

Triangle—Rain; S. E. light; 29.70; 45; sea moderate. Spoke str Camosun, 10.30 a. m. off Bella Bella, 10 a. m., southbound.

Dead Tree Point—Overcast; N. E. light; 29.58; 45; sea smooth.

Ikedu Bay—Rain; S. E.; 29.08; 42; sea moderate.

Prince Rupert—Overcast; S. E.; 29.40; 40; sea smooth.

Equal parts of lard and mustard mixed together make a good ointment for chilblains.

Guardians of the Deep
Warn Seamen of Danger

In Solidity of Construction and Range of Visibility the Lighthouses of British Columbia Compare With World's Greatest Marine Sentinels

Even the layman can imagine how anxiously, as he approaches nearer the shore, the captain gazes out over the dark stormy waves to catch the first gleam of a lighthouse or if the ocean is covered with fog or mist, listens intently for the welcome though dismal note of the fog-alarm.

When the light, or sound, is located, or as navigators express it "picked up," the captain takes his bearings from it, to the next aid to navigation, and then to the next, and so on until he reaches in safety, the haven of his journey's end.

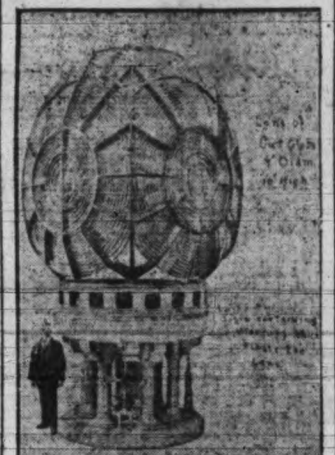
Oldest of Shore Aids.

Of all shore aids for guiding seamen, the lighthouse is probably the oldest. Their establishment dating from the time when man first ventured on the deep. One of the earliest lighthouses on record was built on the Hellespont, and as one old historian describes it, was in the form of a mar with one leg planted on each side of the channel, and ships sailed between its spread legs. This description is to say the least doubtful. The most ancient lighthouse of which any definite data is available was the Pharos of Alexandria. This immense structure was 400 feet high square in shape, and was built about 331 B. C., and probably showed a glaring glare to sea from that date until it disappeared about 1270 A. D.

The oldest lighthouse still being used as such is at Coruna, near Cape Finisterre. When this tower was erected is not definitely known. Some authorities state it was constructed during the time the Phoenicians were trading along the coast of Spain and France. Other historians claim it was built by command of the Roman Emperor Trajan. The construction of this lighthouse is an example of how good works often outlive the builder, for centuries its friendly beam has proven the guiding star for many ships, long after the builder has been forgotten.

First on This Continent.

The first lighthouse on the American Continent was erected in 1716 on



CUT GLASS LENS

This lens is nine feet in diameter and ten feet high. Level with the man's head is the basin containing mercury which floats the lens.

Little Brewster Island, near Boston, and no doubt proved a great benefit to the thrifty merchants of Boston at that time.

In the early days, and in fact up to a little over a hundred years ago, it was the custom to illuminate all light-stations by the crude method of burning fires of wood or coal in iron cages or braziers on top of the tower. Later this method was improved by substituting candles, then later by oil lamps, which are still the standard, in improved forms to this day. Another early improvement in lighting apparatus was the use of reflectors of polished metal to direct the light beams towards the water where they are required. Reflectors of improved forms are still used in harbor and other small light-houses where great power is not required.

Cut Glass Lens.

In 1822 the first cut glass lens was used for magnifying the light beams. It was an invention of a French lighthouse Engineer named Fresnel, and France was the first country to adopt his idea. The Fresnel type of lens is now the standard all over the world. It resembles a gigantic cut glass beehive, and is quite a beautiful work of art when viewed closely, especially at night when revolving with a bright light inside.

The largest size lens in the world measures approximately nine feet in diameter by ten feet high and weighs about ten tons. To revolve this immense weight continually would require great power, but for a method that allows for the entire weight of both the lens and the supporting cast iron platform, to float in mercury or quicksilver similar to the floating of a block of wood in a tub of water. This ingenious arrangement reduces the friction of continuous revolving to a minimum so that the pressure of a finger tip is sufficient to set the whole apparatus in motion. The general motive power used is the energy of a dropping weight as universally used in operating large city clocks.

Most Powerful Lights.

The most powerful lighthouse in the world is in Heligoland, which lights



FISGUARD LIGHT

the horizon with beams of 43,000,000 candle power, evidently the Germans recognized the military advantages of such a light at this fortified submarine base, and had other reasons besides the guiding of peaceful shipping when it was decided to erect it. The second most powerful lights number eleven, all approximately the same candle power and situated as follows: Bishop Rock, Spurn Point, and Round Island in England; Faise Island, and Sule Skerry in Scotland; Bull Rock and Tory Island in Ireland; Cap d'Antifer in France; Pel Yu Shan in China; Manora Point in India and Cape Race erected and maintained by the Canadian Government in Newfoundland. Following in order of power the balance of lighthouses are classified internationally from the 1st to the 10th orders, examples of all of these are found in our local waters of the Pacific Coast.

Continuous Watch.

The universal regulations in the lighthouse service throughout the world are that where a revolving light is shown an attendant must be on watch through all the hours of darkness, so if trouble with the lighting apparatus should occur, it may be rectified with the least possible delay. Thus mariners may be assured that their interests are safeguarded, and they approach the shore, they can depend that the welcoming beams are continually being cast to greet them on arrival, and thus the ever constant gleaming lights maintain their title of Guardians of the Deep.

CONCRETE SHIPS
MAY OVERCOME
DIVER MENACE

San Francisco, March 16.—A telegram stating that the building of concrete ships "may be instrumental in overcoming the submarine menace," was received here to-day by W. L. Conyn, president of the San Francisco Shipbuilding Company, builders of the concrete steamer Faith, from Edward N. Hurley, chairman of the United States Shipping Board.

Casualty Unit—Major J. Harvey, who will be promoted to Lieut.-Colonel, and Lieut. P. King, respectively O. C. and adjutant of the Casualty Unit to be established in British Columbia, are now on their way to Ottawa to consult with the military authorities in regard to the details of the establishment.

LIGHT AT TRIANGLE ISLAND



Located at the northernmost point of Vancouver Island, the windiest point on the British Columbia Coast. This powerful light surmounts a strongly reinforced tower of concrete.

EXPECTS JAPAN
TO INTERVENE

Professor Anesaki, of Tokyo University, Says Subjects of Nippon Must Be Protected

WILL THWART DESIGN
TO GET WAR SUPPLIES

"If it is true that the Maximalists have murdered 150 Japanese in Siberia then it is almost certain that Japan will intervene if only for the protection of its subjects," said M. Anesaki, professor of the University of Tokyo, who reached here to-day aboard the liner Atsuta Maru en route from Yokohama to Berkeley, Cal. The professor is bound for California to attend the 50th anniversary celebration of the foundation of the Berkeley University, in connection with which will be held a conference on International Relations.

He has a wide knowledge of American affairs, having been professor of Japanese literature at Harvard University from 1913 to 1915. "Japan, as a matter of course, is practically bound to step in now," remarked M. Anesaki while discussing the latest phase in the complex Russian situation.

War Supplies.

"Most probably the Germans, or the Bolsheviks, will attempt to make use of the vast supplies of war material that is scattered along the route of the trans-Siberian railroad contiguous to Vladivostok, and in that case the Allies must take charge there to prevent such a possibility.

"It is common knowledge in Japan that vast quantities of war supplies that have been delivered at Vladivostok in the past two years from the United States have never reached Russia proper. It is fully recognized in Japan that should this vast quantity of material fall into the hands of the Germans it would be a great calamity for the Entente. Evidently the Japanese government is watching the situation very closely.

When Mr. Anesaki left the Far East it was rumored that Japan had a certain number of divisions prepared should intervention be necessary.

Constitutional Government.

At the present time in Japan, says Mr. Anesaki, there is an agitation on for a more constitutional form of government, the idea being to have the members of the cabinet more directly responsible to the proletariat than to the Crown.

"In principle, what is wanted," said Mr. Anesaki, "is the appointment to the premiership of a man who commands the majority in the Lower House."

"This agitation for really constitutional government, similar to the form of government in the United Kingdom, is still going on in Japan, and its champions are very numerous and influential."

Suffrage.

The suffrage question is an important one in Japan at this period. Less than half of the total male population in Japan have a vote. The advocates of universal suffrage in Japan at the present time may be a negligible quantity, but the voice in that direction is being raised more and more.

After attending the convention at Berkeley, Mr. Anesaki will pay a visit to Harvard in order to see his old college friends under war conditions. He says that a large number of the students that were with him at Harvard two years ago, have now either gone to the front, or are in training. He proposes to return to Japan in about five weeks.

When washing stone steps in frosty weather, add a handful of salt to the water. This will prevent the steps from becoming slippery.

BAN IS NOW PLACED
ON RUSSIAN TRAVEL

Last of Transient Slavs Reached Here To-day on Japanese Liner

The ban has been placed on Russian emigrants.

Until the termination of the war, or such time as it is considered expedient to raise the embargo, the picturesque native of the Russian Empire will be a minus quantity on the ocean liners plying between the Orient and the North Pacific coast.

Russian travel has flourished on the Pacific ever since Kurensky upset things in Russia, when political refugees boarded outbound steamships in droves eager to get back to the country from which they had been exiled during the regime of the Czar. It remained for the Bolsheviks to eliminate this traffic.

Lucky Forty-three.

Regulations have now been put into force that will put an immediate stop to Russian travel across the wide expanse of the Pacific. Not only will it be impossible for a person of Russian nationality to make the journey from the United States and Canada to the Far East, but an effective check has also been placed on the routing of the Slavs from Japan to this side. The forty-three Russians arriving on the liner Atsuta Maru will be the last representatives of this race to be transported across the Pacific for some time to come. There was some talk of holding the contingent in Japan, but as passage had been booked when the new regulations became effective, they were permitted to come through. The members of this party consider themselves very lucky persons indeed, as testified by the expansive smiles as they ranged the after deck under the eye of the immigration officers.

Russian Refugees.

There are thousands of Russian refugees in Japan whose hopes of reaching this continent have been rudely shattered. Thousands of others, many of them wealthy people, are scattered among the big centres along the trans-Siberian railroad in Manchuria, especially in the vicinity of Harbin, all of whom were doubtless looking toward the North American continent as a haven of refuge. With such a vast population anxious to get as far away from Russia as possible it would seem incredible that anyone already on this soil would be eager to go to a country which is in the grip of anarchy.

Seeking Passage.

But the fact remains that many Russians have been, and are even now, seeking passage through local steamship agencies with the object of returning to Russia.

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Capt. Dick Stephens Completes Twenty-Ton Vessel for Capt. T. Thompson

Built by Capt. Dick Stephens, the well-known local ship designer and shipbuilder, a trim twenty-ton sloop-rigged auxiliary-powered fishing vessel, is lying in the Inner Harbor being fitted out preparatory to leaving for Northern waters. The vessel was built for Capt. Thomas Thompson and associates and will be operated out of Prince Rupert this spring and summer.

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RED CROSS WORK

At the monthly meeting of the Oak Bay Red Cross held at the rooms last night, Mrs. Bullock Webster, the convener, submitted the report of work finished during the month. The following donations had been received:

Mrs. Llewellyn, a dish, and Mrs. L. H. Hardie, vase—both raffled and won by Mrs. Chas. E. Wilson; Miss Ramsdale, tea-cloth and dollies; from an anonymous donor, a doll which had been raffled and won by Mrs. Kilt in aid of the Sewing Machine Fund; socks from Mesdames Pierce, Goward and Dick Wollaston, old gold and silver which had been sent to Superfluities; Bishop Cridge Chapter, I. O. D. E., eight stretcher caps; Miss Perry, crocheted yoke; and Mr. Gardner, an Easter ham—the two latter articles to be raffled.

The treasurer's financial statement for the month ending March 15, showed receipts: Balance in hand February 16, \$3.46; Mrs. G. S. Browne, \$5; Mrs. J. R. Carmichael, \$2; Mrs. Bullock Webster, contents of box in work rooms and sale of sundry articles, \$6; Mrs. Archibald Harris, \$2; Mrs. Whitney, \$2; Mrs. Creed, \$2; Mr. Sparks, balance sale of concert tickets, two, 50 cents; Miss Cowley, \$4; Mrs. J. D. McLean, \$5; Chief Symes, \$1; Mrs. Doe, machine rent, \$3; Mrs. Baxter, \$1. Prisoners of War Fund, Misses Roberts, \$10; South Hampshire Road Circle, per Mrs. Philip Goepel, \$5; Mrs. Wm. G. McMyrn, life membership, \$35; Miss Mary Duncan, \$25; Mrs. Sophia Duncan, \$5; Mrs. E. S. Smalley, \$25; Mrs. Pattullo, \$10; Mrs. S. Gunter, \$5; Mrs. Bruce, \$10; Mrs. A. M. Johnson, \$5; Mr. Philip Goepel, \$25; Mrs. Rattenbury, bridge party, \$24; rummage sale, per Mrs. Rattenbury, \$246.48; Mrs. Mullock Webster, collection and raffles in work rooms towards sewing machine and motor, \$25; raffle of dish presented by Mrs. Llewellyn, \$5. Expenditure: May, \$2; head office, \$75; head office, \$25; on account of Singer sewing machine, per

Mr. Curtis, \$25; balance in hand, \$369.59. Total, \$496.89.

The sum of \$450 was ordered sent to headquarters.

North Ward Branch.

The North Ward Branch contemplates holding a rummage sale in the near future, and would be pleased to receive any donations of clean second-hand or new clothing, etc.

The members are reminded of the regular monthly meeting to be held in the rooms Monday evening, March 18.

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The Times Want Ad Contest

BUSY DAYS FOR CANDIDATES

With the Close of One of the Big Club Offers Monday Evening, Competitors Will Be Doing Some of Their Best Work To-day and Monday

Only two more days, counting to-day, of the present big extra vote club offer.

After Monday, further club votes will be given, but the value of collections and contracts will be greatly reduced.

Almost four weeks of the contest period have passed. After Monday, but eighteen more working days remain.

Candidates are now working at a very rapid pace and are making every day bring forth results.

Advertisers will help greatly by cashing their promises while the club vote is high.

Note that the vote is soaring. The leader has over 100,000, with all the others coming very strong. Apparently it is anybody's race, and the remaining days will likely be the crucial days. The following is the standing of the candidates, according to the votes handed in for publication up to last evening:

P. A. GOODWIN, 941 King's Road	101,765
MISS DOROTHY KIRK, "Kirby," Esquimalt Road	94,235
MRS. M. A. HORNER, Suite C, Parkway Apartments	91,880
THOMAS SPENCER, General Delivery, City	90,700
THOS. C. SORBY, 429 Quebec Street	93,100
H. L. HOPKINS, 3171 Mars Street	92,000

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The Atsuta Maru is one of a fleet of five steamships which preceded the Fushimi and Katori type in the N. Y. K. service between Japan and Europe, the others being the Kamo, Hirano, Mishima and Kitano. She is a vessel of 7,974 gross and 4,562 net tons, with a length of 483 feet. She has accommodation for eight-thirty-first class passengers, twenty-eight in the second cabin and 200 in the steerage quarters. Her speed is seventeen knots.

Favorable Passage.
The Atsuta Maru, which is commanded by Capt. K. Inadzu, who has previously seen service on this route, crossed from Yokohama in fifteen days and with the exception of a couple of moderate gales, experienced a favorable passage.

While not to be compared with the magnificent passenger vessels that have been seen here under the N. Y. K. houseflag, the Atsuta Maru is equipped with fine passenger quarters on three decks, and furthermore she is a splendid cargo carrier. The Kamo Maru her sister ship, is scheduled to follow the Atsuta from Japan.

Oriental Cargo.
The liner brought in 7,000 tons of general Oriental cargo, including 2,611 bales of raw silk, the latter shipment being valued at about \$2,000,000. She is discharging 872 tons of freight at this port.

The Passengers.
Of the 166 passengers carried by the Atsuta, fifty-six disembarked here, the remainder being routed to Seattle. W. Nicolle, a business man, who has spent several years in Japan, is on his way to the United States.

Representing the Japanese Department of Agriculture and Commerce, T. Goh was also a through passenger aboard the liner. His mission, which has to do with the purchase of supplies, will take him as far as London.

WIRELESS REPORTS

8 a. m., March 16.

Point Grey—Overcast; S. E. fresh; 29.94; 44; sea moderate.
Cape Lazo—Rain; S. E. fresh; 29.84; 42; sea moderate.
Pachena—Rain, S. E.; 29.84; 47; sea rough.

Alert Bay—Rain; S. E. light; 29.48; 41; sea rough.
Triangle—Overcast; S. E. light; 29.70; 45; sea rough. Spoke str Prince George, 9.50 p. m., off Pine Island, southbound; spoke str Princess Beatrice, 10.30 p. m., Queen Charlotte Sound, northbound; spoke str Princess Maquinna, 10.40 p. m., off Reef Point, southbound; spoke str Princess Ena, 2.45 a. m., off Ivory Island, southbound.

Dead Tree Point—Rain; calm; 29.58; 36; sea smooth.
Ikeda Bay—Rain; S. E.; 29.08; 39; sea moderate.
Prince Rupert—Rain; calm; 29.32; 42; sea smooth.

Noon.

Point Grey—Overcast; S. E. light; 29.95; 50; sea smooth.
Cape Lazo—Rain; S. E. fresh; 29.82; 44; sea moderate. Spoke str Venture, abeam Ivory Island, southbound.

Pachena—Rain; S. E. strong; 29.83; 49; sea rough. Spoke str Tees 9 a. m. off Sechart, northbound.
Estevan—Rain; S. E. fresh; 29.55; 43; sea rough.

Alert Bay—Rain; S. E. light; 29.48; 43; sea smooth.
Triangle—Rain; S. E. light; 29.70; 46; sea moderate. Spoke str Camosun, 10.30 a. m., off Bella Bella, 10 a. m., southbound.

Dead Tree Point—Overcast; N. E. light; 29.58; 45; sea smooth.
Ikeda Bay—Rain, S. E.; 29.08; 42; sea moderate.

Prince Rupert—Overcast; S. E.; 29.40; 40; sea smooth.

Equal parts of lard and mustard mixed together make a good ointment for chilblains.

Guardians of the Deep Warn Seamen of Danger

In Solidity of Construction and Range of Visibility the Lighthouses of British Columbia Compare With World's Greatest Marine Sentinels

Even the layman can imagine how anxiously, as he approaches nearer the shore, the captain gazes out over the dark stormy waves to catch the first gleam of a lighthouse or if the ocean is covered with fog or mist, listens intently for the welcome though dismal note of the fog alarm.

When the light, or sound, is located, or as navigators express it "picked up," the captain takes his bearings from it, to the next aid to navigation, and then to the next, and so on until he reaches in safety, the haven of his journey's end.

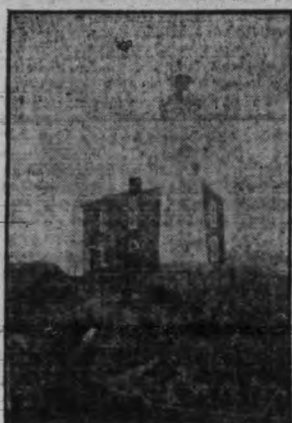
Oldest of Shore Aids.

Of all shore aids for guiding seamen, the lighthouse is probably the oldest. Their establishment dating from the time when man first ventured on the deep. One of the earliest lighthouses on record was built on the Hellespont, and as one old historian describes it, was in the form of a mar with one leg planted on each side of the channel, and ships sailed between its spread legs. This description is to say the least doubtful. The most ancient lighthouse of which any definite data is available was the Pharos of Alexandria. This immense structure was 400 feet high square in shape, and was built about 331 B. C., and probably showed a flashing glare to sea from that date until it disappeared about 1370 A. D.

The oldest lighthouse still being used as such is at Coruna, near Cape Finisterre. When this tower was erected is not definitely known. Some authorities state it was constructed during the time the Phoenicians were trading along the coast of Spain and France. Other historians claim it was built by command of the Roman Emperor Trajan. The construction of this lighthouse is an example of how good works often outlive the builder, for centuries its friendly beam has proven the guiding star for many ships, long after the builder has been forgotten.

First on This Continent.

The first lighthouse on the American Continent was erected in 1716 on



FISGUARD LIGHT

the horizon with beams of 43,000,000 candle power, evidently the Germans recognized the military advantages of such a light at this fortified submarine base, and had other reasons besides the guiding of peaceful shipping when it was decided to erect it. The second most powerful lights number eleven, all approximately the same candle power and situated as follows: Bishop Rock, Spurn Point, and Round Island in England; Faise Island, and Skerry Island in Scotland; Bull Rock and Tory Island in Ireland; Cap d'Antifer in France; Pei Yu Shan in China; Manora Point in India and Cape Race erected and maintained by the Canadian Government in Newfoundland. Following in order of power the balance of lighthouses are classified internationally from the 1st to the 7th orders, examples of all of these are found in our local waters of the Pacific Coast.

Continuous Watch.

The universal regulations in the lighthouse service throughout the world are that where a revolving light is shown an attendant must be on watch through all the hours of darkness, so if trouble with the lighting apparatus should occur, it may be rectified with the least possible delay. Thus mariners may be assured that their interests are safeguarded, and after crossing a long expanse of ocean, they approach the shores, they can depend that the welcoming beams are continually being cast to greet them on arrival, and thus the ever constant gleaming lights maintain their title of Guardians of the Deep.

CONCRETE SHIPS MAY OVERCOME DIVER MENACE

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Casualty Unit.—Major J. Harvey, who will be promoted to Lieut. Colonel, and Lieut. P. King, respectively O. C. and adjutant of the Casualty Unit to be established in British Columbia, are now of their way to Ottawa to consult with the military authorities in regard to the details of the establishment.

Light at Triangle Island.
In 1822 the first cut glass lens was used for magnifying the light beams, it was an invention of a French lighthouse Engineer named Fresnel, and France was the first country to adopt his idea. The Fresnel type of lens is now the standard all over the world. It resembles a gigantic cut glass beehive, and is quite a beautiful work of art when viewed closely, especially at night when revolving with a bright light inside.

The largest size lens in the world measures approximately nine feet in diameter by ten feet high and weighs about ten tons. To revolve this immense weight continually would require great power, but for a method that allows for the entire weight of both the lens and the supporting cast iron platform, to float in mercury or quicksilver similar to the floating of a block of wood in a tub of water. This ingenious arrangement reduces the friction of continuous revolving to a minimum so that the pressure of a finger tip is sufficient to set the whole apparatus in motion. The general motive power used is the energy of a dropping weight, as universally used in operating large city clocks.

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EXPECTS JAPAN TO INTERVENE

Professor Anesaki, of Tokio University, Says Subjects of Nippon Must Be Protected

WILL THWART DESIGN TO GET WAR SUPPLIES

"If it is true that the Maximalists have murdered 150 Japanese in Siberia then it is almost certain that Japan will intervene if only for the protection of its subjects," said M. Anesaki, professor of the University of Tokio, who reached here to-day aboard the liner Atsuta Maru en route from Yokohama to Berkeley, Cal. The professor is bound for California to attend the 50th anniversary celebration of the foundation of the Berkeley University, in connection with which will be held a conference on international relations.

He has a wide knowledge of American affairs, having been professor of Japanese literature at Harvard University from 1913 to 1915. "Japan, as a matter of course, is practically bound to step in now," remarked Mr. Anesaki while discussing the latest phase in the complex Russian situation.

War Supplies.

"Most probably the Germans, or the Bolsheviks, will attempt to make use of the vast supplies of war material that is scattered along the route of the trans-Siberian railroad contiguous to the Vladivostok, and in that case the Allies must take charge there to prevent such a possibility.

"It is common knowledge in Japan that vast quantities of war supplies that have been delivered at Vladivostok in the past two years from the United States have never reached Russia proper. It is fully recognized in Japan that should this vast quantity of material fall into the hands of the Germans it would be a great calamity for the Entente. Evidently the Japanese government is watching the situation very closely.

When Mr. Anesaki left the Far East it was rumored that Japan had a certain number of divisions prepared should intervention be necessary.

Constitutional Government.
At the present time in Japan, says Mr. Anesaki, there is an agitation on for a more constitutional form of government, the idea being to have the members of the cabinet more directly responsible to the proletariat than to the Crown.

"In principle, what is wanted," said Mr. Anesaki, "is the appointment to the premiership of a man who commands the majority in the Lower House."

"This agitation for really constitutional government, similar to the form of government in the United Kingdom, is still going on in Japan, and its champions are very numerous and influential."

Suffrage.
The suffrage question is an important one in Japan at this period. Less than half of the total male population in Japan have a vote. The advocates of universal suffrage in Japan at the present time may be a negligible quantity, but the voice in that direction is being raised more and more.

After attending the convention at Berkeley, Mr. Anesaki will pay a visit to Harvard in order to see his old college friends under war conditions. He says that a large number of the students that were with him at Harvard two years ago, have now either gone to the front, or are in training. He proposes to return to Japan in about five weeks.

When washing stone steps in frosty weather, add a handful of salt to the water. This will prevent the steps from becoming slippery.

BAN IS NOW PLACED ON RUSSIAN TRAVEL

Last of Transient Slavs Reached Here To-day on Japanese Liner

The ban has been placed on Russian emigrants.

Until the termination of the war, or such time as it is considered expedient to raise the embargo, the picturesque native of the Russian Empire will be a minus quantity on the ocean liners plying between the Orient and the North Pacific coasts.

Russian travel has flourished on the Pacific ever since Kerenky upset things in Russia, when political refugees boarded outbound steamships in droves eager to get back to the country from which they had been exiled during the regime of the Czar. It remained for the Bolsheviks to eliminate this traffic.

Lucky Forty-three.

Regulations have now been put into force that will put an immediate stop to Russian travel across the wide expanse of the Pacific. Not only will it be impossible for a person of Russian nationality to make the journey from the United States and Canada to the Far East, but an effective check has also been placed on the routing of the Slavs from Japan to this side. The forty-three Russians arriving on the liner Atsuta Maru will be the last representatives of this race to be transported across the Pacific for some time to come. There was some talk of holding this contingent in Japan, but as passage had been booked when the new regulations became effective, they were permitted to come through. The members of this party consider themselves very lucky persons indeed, as testified by the expansive smiles as they ranged the after deck under the eye of the immigration officers.

Russian Refugees.

There are thousands of Russian refugees in Japan whose hopes of reaching this continent have been rudely shattered. Thousands of others, many of them wealthy people, are scattered among the big centres along the trans-Siberian railroad in Manchuria, especially in the vicinity of Harbin, all of whom were doubtless looking toward the North American continent as a haven of refuge. With such a vast population anxious to get as far away from Russia as possible it would seem incredible that anyone already on this soil would be eager to go to a country which is in the grip of anarchy.

Seeking Passage.
But the fact remains that many Russian have been, and are even now, seeking passage through local steamship agencies with the object of returning to Russia.

LOCAL BUILDER TURNS OUT FINE FISH CRAFT

Capt. Dick Stephens Completes Twenty-Ton Vessel for Capt. T. Thompson

Built by Capt. Dick Stephens, the well-known local ship designer and shipbuilder, a trim twenty-ton slooped-rigged auxiliary-powered fishing vessel, is lying in the Inner Harbor being fitted out preparatory to leaving for Northern waters. The vessel was built for Capt. Thomas Thompson and associates and will be operated out of Prince Rupert this spring and summer.

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North Ward Branch.
The North Ward Branch contemplates holding a rummage sale in the near future, and would be pleased to receive any donations of clean second-hand or new clothing, etc.

The members are reminded of the regular monthly meeting to be held in the rooms Monday evening, March 18.

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The Times Want Ad Contest

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With the Close of One of the Big Club Offers Monday Evening, Competitors Will Be Doing Some of Their Best Work To-day and Monday

Only two more days, counting to-day, of the present big extra vote club offer.

After Monday, further club votes will be given, but the value of collections and contracts will be greatly reduced.

Almost four weeks of the contest period have passed. After Monday, but eighteen more working days remain.

Candidates are now working at a very rapid pace and are making every day bring forth results.

Advertisers will help greatly by cashing their promises while the club vote is high.

Note that the vote is soaring. The leader has over 100,000, with all the others coming very strong. Apparently it is anybody's race, and the remaining days will likely be the crucial days. The following is the standing of the candidates, according to the votes handed in for publication up to last evening:

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LEGAL AND OFFICIAL NOTICES

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Public School Desks.
Tenders for School Desks, as prescribed by the undersigned up to 12 noon of Wednesday, 27th day of March, 1918, for supplying the following desks:
Single Desks.
Size No. 1 350
Size No. 2 350
Size No. 3 275
The desks are to be quoted at a price per desk.
The name of the desk and maker to be mentioned in tenders. Vancouver on or before 21st day of July next.
The successful tenderer will, free of any additional charges, store the desks and pack or crate ready for shipment to order to places to be hereafter designated from time to time.
No tender will be entertained unless accompanied by an accepted cheque on a chartered bank of Canada, payable to the order of the Minister of Finance, in the amount of two hundred dollars (\$200), which will be forfeited if the tendering declines to enter into contract when called upon to do so, or if he fails to complete the contract.
Cheques of unsuccessful tenderers will be returned upon signing of contract.
The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.
JAMES PATERSON,
Purchasing Agent,
Department of Public Works,
Victoria, B. C., March 13, 1918. mh14

LAND REGISTRY ACT.

Notice Under Section 35.

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been made to register Elsie Munro as the owner in fee-simple, under a Tax Sale Deed from the Collector of the Corporation of the Township of Esquimalt to Elsie Munro, bearing date the 29th day of November, A.D. 1917, in pursuance of a Tax Sale held by said Collector, on or about the 1st day of September, 1917, and being in the District of Esquimalt, on the Province of British Columbia, more particularly known and described as: Lot 9, of part of Suburban Lot 61, Men 61A.
You and those claiming through or under you, and all persons claiming any interest in the said land, by whom the title is not registered under the provisions of the "Land Registry Act," are required to come forward and claim the purchase within 30 days of the service of this notice upon the Collector, and each of you, or to be forever estopped and barred from setting up any claim to or in respect of the said land, and I shall, in respect of the said Elsie Munro as owner in fee.

I direct that service of this notice may be made by depositing the same in the Victoria Daily Times twelve consecutive times, dated at the Land Registry Office, at the City of Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia, this 26th day of November, A.D. 1917.

J. C. GIVNIN,
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To G. H. Stewart Esq.,
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Dated at Victoria, British Columbia, the 15th day of February, 1918.
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Of Law Chambers, Bastion Street, Victoria, British Columbia, Solicitors for the said C. A. Holland and W. H. Bullock-Webster.

Electrical Supplies

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W. GALT,
City Purchasing Agent.

ESQUIMALT DOG TAX.

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G. H. PULLEN,
Treasurer.
Esquimalt, March 14th, 1918.



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Fuel For Public Buildings.
SEALD TENDERS will be received by the undersigned up to 12 noon on Monday, 25th day of March, 1918, for supplying and delivering coal required at the Provincial Government Buildings, as enumerated hereunder, during the fiscal year ending 31st March, 1919, to be delivered in such quantities and at such times as may be directed during the period above stated.
The approximate annual consumption of coal at each of the buildings named is as follows:
Best washed nut coal—
Parliament Bldgs., Victoria, 1,000 tons
Best lump coal—
Parliament Bldgs., Victoria, 100 tons
Government House, Victoria, 110 tons
Court-house, Victoria, 60 tons
Provincial Normal School, Victoria, 300 tons
The above-mentioned quantities are not guaranteed; the quantity actually required may be under or above the figures stated.
Tenders to be based on ton of 2,240 lb. Each delivery must be accompanied by an official weighmaster's certificate. Weighing charges borne by Department.
Tenders shall be accompanied by an accepted cheque in the sum of \$100, on a chartered bank of Canada, payable to the order of the Minister of Finance, which will be forfeited if the tendering declines to enter into contract when called upon to do so.
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CONCESSIONS TO GERMANY BY HAGUE

Holland Expected to Make Some When She Meets Allies' Demands

Washington, March 16.—It was indicated here to-day that at the same time that Holland consents to turn her ships over to Great Britain and the United States for use in the war zone, she will make certain conciliatory concessions to Germany.

At Berlin.
London, March 16.—A conference was held at the Berlin Foreign Office yesterday at which the situation created by the contemplated taking over of Dutch shipping by the Allies was discussed, according to Berlin advices sent by the Exchange Telegraph correspondent at Copenhagen. He quotes "The Lokal Anzeiger" as stating that measures to be taken in the event of Holland's acceptance of the Allied terms were particularly discussed.

EARLY BENEFITS FOR GERMANY BUT SMALL

Washington Officials Anticipate Little Quick Economic Relief From Russia

Washington, March 16.—Germany's military and political achievements in Russia will give her little economic benefit immediately, in the opinion of officials here familiar with the resources of the Slav territory.

Not more than 10,000,000 bushels of grain is believed to be available now in Eastern and Southern Russia, but in October it is possible that from 30,000,000 to 40,000,000 bushels may be available from the new crop.

Perhaps more important than grain will be the vast resources of the Siberian dairy farms, which have been developed by German capital and which will begin to supply in June the fats for which Germany admittedly has been suffering.

German semi-official reports of the capture by the Tzema of 80,000,000 bushels of grain in Roumania are ridiculed by officials here on the strength of reports from American Red Cross workers and others who have been in Roumania recently. They say there was no grain to be bought in the open market and that even when commandeered, cars were sent under guard to remote regions, only limited quantities could be obtained, and those were subject to pilfering by the needy population.

Russia always has sold her grain rapidly after the harvest, because there are few facilities for storage, and officials here believe little stored grain remains in Russia.

Meat and Minerals.
Meat animals obtained in Russia undoubtedly will help Germany to some extent, but the amount of them will not be large. Many are in remote sections. The same thing is true of the vast mineral resources, which are found chiefly in the Ural Mountains, in mines which have been neglected of late and reached only by a transportation system that has lost much of its efficiency. German organization, perhaps the kind exemplified in Belgium, will get the most of the conquered land, officials have no doubt. It is evident, however, that the constant pressure on the Western front, especially with ever-increasing American forces in the fighting, will not allow any large German army to be put in Russia as has been done in Belgium.

Germany's capture of whatever grain is available does not affect the Allied supplies, since neither Russia nor Roumania has been rationed by the other nations.

Musical Club Donates Ambulance.
At a special meeting of the Seattle Ladies' Musical Club yesterday, the members decided to devote the entire proceeds of the season's recitals to the purchase of an ambulance for Seattle Overseas Base Hospital, No. 50. The ambulance will cost about \$2,000, has been already ordered, and is expected to be ready for use in about a month's time. While the net profits of the Club for the season will not amount to the required sum, the Club has, in the past, so invested its earnings that it will be able to draw from a surplus fund in addition to its other patriotic works. This Club also invested \$4,000 in Liberty bonds at the time of the campaign.

B. C. HAD A GREAT CATCH OF HERRING

244,300 Hundredweights Were Landed During Month of February Just Past

Ottawa, March 16.—The total value in first hands of all sea fish landed in Canada during February last was \$936,533, as compared with \$589,884 for the corresponding month last year, according to the monthly statement of fish operations issued from the Naval Department this forenoon. This increase, the statement says, was due almost entirely to the greater herring catch in British Columbia waters, which practically constituted the total landing of herring in the whole of Canada. The herring catch last month in British Columbia waters amounted to 244,300 cwts., a great increase over the previous February, when it was only 16,650 cwts. A total of 57,148 cases of herring, each weighing forty-eight pounds, was canned last month in British Columbia, and about 13,000 barrels were Scotch cured while during the corresponding period a year ago only 7,118 cases were canned and 350 barrels Scotch cured.

Cod, Haddock, Etc.
The total quantity of cod, haddock, pollock and hake landed during February last was about equal to that landed a year ago. The figures are: 22,045 cwts., as against 20,245 cwts. The weather during February of the present year was more severe than usual in the east, and this may have had a deterrent effect on the Atlantic coast fisheries. The quantity of halibut landed in Canada, chiefly in British Columbia, was 690 cwt. less than during the corresponding month last year, but the value was almost \$80,000 greater.

The smelt fisheries produced 15,364 cwts. from February 1 to February 15, when the season for net fishing closed. This was less than a year ago, but the open season was extended to February 25 last year.

The lobster season is now in progress on both sides of the Bay of Fundy and on the Nova Scotia coast as far east as Halifax Harbor. Up to the end of February the total pack was 8,061 cases, while 6,579 cwts. were shipped fresh in the shell to market. During the corresponding period last year the pack was 4,322 cases, and the shipment in shell 13,854 cwts.

APPEAL IS WON BY DOMINION TRUST

Alberta Court Decides in Its Favor in Clay Products Company Case

Calgary, March 16.—The Appellate Division of the Supreme Court of Alberta, has delivered judgment in the appeal by Andrew Stewart, liquidator of the Dominion Trust Company, reversing the judgment of Mr. Justice Strachan, who held that the Dominion Trust Company's mortgage given to it by the Tregillus Clay Products, Ltd., in 1914, covering all its machinery and plant for the manufacture of brick and tile, had ceased to be valid as against the creditors of the Tregillus Clay Products, Ltd., owing to the mortgagee's failure to renew the chattel mortgage as required by the bills of sale ordinance. The original action was brought by the security Trust Company, liquidators of the Tregillus Clay Products, Ltd., against Stewart to have the mortgage declared invalid.

The result of the judgment is that the Dominion Trust Company now has a first lien or charge against the machinery of the Tregillus Clay Company to the extent of its claim, amounting to about \$12,000, subject, however, to the claim of three small execution creditors amounting to a little over \$5,000 and to the exclusive claim of other creditors of the Tregillus Clay Company, including the Quebec Bank, which has a judgment against that company for over \$100,000.

THREE JAPANESE WERE KILLED IN SIBERIA

London, March 16.—A dispatch from Tientsin, China, to The London Daily Mail says that the Japanese Embassy at Peking has been informed that during recent disturbances at Blagoveshchensk three Japanese were killed and seven wounded while defending their property against Bolsheviks.

Blagoveshchensk is on the Amur River near its confluence with the Zeya and is opposite the Manchurian town of Alguin. It is 200 miles north of Harbin and has a population of 24,000. There are extensive gold mines in the district.

FOSTER TO FATHER DAYLIGHT SAVING

Ottawa, March 16.—It is practically certain that Sir George Foster, Minister of Trade and Commerce, will introduce a daylight saving bill in Parliament this session, and it will become law if not too strenuously opposed by members of rural constituencies.

COAL CREEK MINER LOSES HIS LIFE

Fernie, March 16.—A fatal accident is just reported to have occurred in No. 1 south mine, Coal Creek. Albert Keleta was the victim, but the exact particulars of the accident are not yet available.

"The quality, the character, the spirit of a man is the true outcome of his education."—The Dean of York.

WAR CAMP LAUNCHED AT COUGHLAN YARDS

Sent Down Ways at Vancouver This Morning Before Large Concourse

Vancouver, March 16.—Despite the early hour several hundred people were on hand at 7:30 o'clock this morning to see the good ship War Camp, the second steel steamer to be built at the Coughlan shipyards, take her initial plunge into the briny. The big hull slid down the ways in perfect style amid cheers of the big crowd. Mrs. R. H. (Mayor) Gale christened the vessel. The big hull moved slowly down the ways, her speed being much less than that of her sister ship, the Alaska, which was launched in January. General Manager J. L. Lockhart had improvised a new checking device which brought the vessel up before she was half-way across the creek. This device consisted of an effective check board, which was used on the Alaska. One anchor was dropped soon after the vessel cleared the ways and this would have been sufficient to hold the steamer. The second anchor was dropped amidream as a safeguard.

Although the ceremony was carried out without the "frills" which featured the launching of the Alaska, the management of the yards made ample provision for the guests. The yard was decorated with flags and the hull was also covered with flags and bunting. Although the launching took place before the six hundred workmen were on hand to see the product of their industry leave the ways.

Following the ceremony the launching party was entertained at the Hotel Vancouver by the management of the shipyard.

ROTTERDAM PAPER ON DEMANDS MADE BY ALLIES ON HOLLAND

Amsterdam, March 16.—The demands made by the Entente on Holland are bitterly hard, says The Nieuwe Rotterdamse Courant, in commenting on the statement made to the States General by the Dutch Foreign Minister with regard to the negotiations with Great Britain and the United States. It adds: "Moreover, to grant some of them, as appears from the resume of the discussions with Germany, would lead to Germany refusing to renew the economic agreement with Holland. The future can only be regarded as very sombre."

STRUGGLE IN CHINA MATTER OF CONCERN AT TOKIO CABINET

London, March 16.—In reply to a question in the Japanese Diet yesterday, the Japanese Premier, Count Terauchi, said, according to a Reuters dispatch from Tokyo, that the discussion prevailing between North and South China was the source of serious concern for Japan's interests, but that Japan would take no step in the way of mediation.

REVELSTOCK WANTS INCREASED REVENUE

Revelstoke, March 16.—As a result of a meeting held last night by the Revelstoke Board of Trade, and also a joint meeting of the City Council and School Trustees, representatives of each of these bodies will wait upon the Government at Victoria with a view to obtaining if possible the sources of revenue. It is claimed that municipalities are suffering from the loss of licenses and that the amusement and automobile taxes ought to remain with the local municipalities throughout the province, and that crown lands should bear a fair share of local taxation. Alex. McTear, president, will represent the Board of Trade, H. McKinnon, the Mayor, and W. A. Gordon, City Clerk, will represent the City Council, and Messrs. McTear and Gordon will represent the School Trustees. The delegation will leave on Sunday night.

GRAINS HAVE FURTHER BREAK AT CHICAGO

Chicago, March 16.—Corn had the first big break in a long time here to-day. A drop of five cents brought about short covering and a sharp rally, but the market was again weak at the close. Oats started the weakness and was heavily sold from all quarters. The March option lost four cents and the May option followed closely. Advances from the country are to the effect that farmers are anxious to sell and instances of corn being offered at lower prices are increasingly persistent.

Corn Open High Low Last
March 127 127 127 127
May 128 128 128 128
Oats 82 82 82 82
March 82 82 82 82
May 82 82 82 82

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Standard Silver Lead	7	7-16
United Motors	2	201
Emma Copper	4	4
Cuba Copper	5	5
Utica Copper	9	11
Success Mining	19	12
Hecla	41	41
Calumet	13	13
New Cornelia Copper	173	18
Nipissing Mines	8	8
Holly	29	29
Submarine Boat	121	121
South Motors	2-10	22
Curran Aeroplane	34	36
Wright-Martin Aero	71	8
Chevrolet Motors	117	120
City of New York	7	7
Merritt Oil	13	13
Mid-West Oil	110	110
Do. Rfg.	1073	1083
Samuel Refining	91	91
Northwest Oil	71	71
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RAILROAD BILL WILL BE SIGNED BY PRESIDENT WILSON TO-DAY

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New York, March 16.—Trading was light on the stock market here to-day and changes were fractional, with some notable exceptions. Canadian Pacific again was subjected to persistent liquidation and lost two and a half points. The weakness in this issue encouraged some scattered selling by local professionals, but not much headway was made. General Electric yielded a point, but the American railroad stocks were strong. Reading gained nearly two points and the steady strength of Union Pacific was again in evidence. The railroad bill reached the White House and President Wilson will sign it to-day.

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TO-DAY'S TRADING ON WINNIPEG MARKET

Winnipeg, March 16.—At times during the session to-day the market almost verged on panic conditions. It has been the first real bear market the exchange has seen in a long time. The rapid fluctuations were hard to follow. The decline of about five cents in the American markets were the chief reasons for the weakness here. A considerable number of stop-loss orders was uncovered on the decline. The buying all the way down was of a strong nature. Big interests accumulated oats all the way down, although their buying was not in a sufficiently large volume to stem the wave of the bear enthusiasm. In the cash market spreads were practically unchanged from Friday's close, with offerings of spot oats very slight. Oats closed 31 lower for May and July. Barley closed 61 lower for May. Flax closed 21 lower for both months.
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Thursday, March 21

HON. JOHN OLIVER, PREMIER MRS. RALPH SMITH, and City Members Will Speak.

Chair will be taken at 8 p. m.

Will Reply to Alderman Andros.—Mayor Todd indicated to-day that on the receipt of the report of the Streets Committee at the City Council on Monday he would challenge the accuracy of Alderman Andros, in his remarks with regard to the Johnson Street bridge. These remarks are reported in another column.

EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM AND OTHER TOPICS DISCUSSED

Victoria and Vancouver Delegation Meets Minister of Education With Recommendations Covering Wide Field and Affecting the Whole Province

A delegation invited by the Vancouver School Board and representative of the following bodies held conference with the Hon. J. D. MacLean, Minister of Education and Provincial Secretary, and Dr. Robinson, Superintendent of Education, in the Executive Chamber at the Parliament Buildings, this morning: Vancouver School Board and officials, North Vancouver City School Board, the British Columbia University, Victoria School Board, Point Grey School Board, Central Ratepayers' Association of Vancouver, Grandview Ratepayers' Association, Vancouver Association to Promote Speech to Deaf, Child Welfare Association, Vancouver Teachers' Association and the Vancouver Principals' Association.

Many amendments to the Public Schools Act, the establishment of an institution for imbeciles and the extension of the work to the interests of the blind, recommendations from the Vance and Mackay Report, the transfer of moneys for school purposes and the granting of better financial terms by the Government were fully dealt with in nearly twenty short addresses. The recommended amendments to the School Act together with a synopsis of the more general quest of the delegation were presented in docket form and in view of the very many important subjects treated therein no time was devoted to discussion. Dr. MacLean promised that he would carefully consider the whole question and what suggestions were capable of inclusion in legislation during the present session, the delegation could rely upon his sympathetic interest. Dr. W. H. Lang officiated as chairman of the delegation.

From Public to High School.
In discussing the amendments to the Public Schools Act Mr. Lang, of the Vancouver Teachers' Association, pointed out that aspect of school life affecting the passing of the pupil from the public to the high school. He contended that if the Principal and Teachers in the public school were adjudged capable of passing on the pupil's ability to step from grade to grade, then the same theory should apply in the matter of his step to the high school and from his knowledge of the pupil he should also be able to say to what section of the High School he would best fitted to go. He similarly pointed out that a good deal too much hitherto had been devoted to the intellectual side of the boy's nature, and not enough to the practical which had a right to just as much consideration.

Selling Newspapers.
Speaking with ten years' experience as Chief Attendance Officer in Vancouver, Mr. Ingalls urged the establishment in this province of a Parental Home as differentiated from the industrial home or any other institution where popular belief feared the prison taint as a sequel to a corrective course. He would also ask for regulations with regard to the employment of children, that school attendance for those between the ages of fourteen and sixteen and not working be made compulsory. Permission to enter places of business to see if any children were improperly employed was another suggestion. The regulation of street trading particularly with the juvenile who readily fell victim to the lucrative pur-

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Most Prolific Source.
The Rev. Mr. Sovereign on the same subject was anxious to catch the fishman and jettison of the tide of life as he preferred to style the children of the street, for these are the most prolific source of juvenile delinquency. He, too, believed in the Parental Home as the corrective for truancy, but he would widen its scope to include the incorrigible, since there was the boy who was a veritable angel in the classroom but a perfect fiend outside. The same speaker opened the subject of an institution for the imbeciles of the province. The appointment of a physician in Vancouver had shown in one school, so far examined, that twenty children out of 250 were found to be backward from some cause or another. Physical defects could be cured and backwardness coached, but with the feeble-minded or the imbecile there was as yet no remedy. He contended that the mentally deficient was no more insane than the dwarf was diseased, and in consequence the asylum was not the place for their treatment. He urged the establishment of the cottage colony system, where the perpetration of their species would be impossible, and where, by a course of careful tuition, he believed such a colony could be made more or less self-supporting. He asked the Minister to consider the appointment of a Commissioner to look into the whole question.

To Regulate Examinations.
Another delegate speaking on the recommendations of the Vance Mackay Report dwelt on the advisability of less centralization of authority and more flexibility for the education system. Emphasis was laid upon the necessity for the regulation of examinations. The general idea now existing among the teachers was that their own merit would be judged solely by examination results, as a consequence of which the schools were drifting into cramming machines. The same speaker advocated that examinations be made subordinate to the judgment of the teachers when it came to the point of the pupil's promotion, because the teacher's estimate of his ability would be more practical than the results of an examination. Dr. Lang on recommendations made to him, would substitute the policy of Municipal Inspectors with that of Superintendent of Education answerable to the School Board, not to the Department, and by no means to both as at present. Too much authority in the Department he considered was regarded as troublesome now as the Commissioners had declared.

Scouts Idea.
Mr. McKee of the Vancouver Principals' Association, advocated the provision to all the teachers concerned a full text of the Provincial and Municipal Inspectors' Reports. Pensions for teachers was another plea from the same speaker. Dean Robinson of the British Columbia University rather scouted the idea of looking upon the examination as a necessary evil and to be avoided. He would say go slow on many of the recommendations he had heard. A. G. Perry, of North Vancouver, was in favor of a continuity of inspection as much better for the system generally. In connection with the transfer of money for school purposes Inspector Gordon, of Vancouver, pointed out to the Minister the serious lack of class room accommodation in Vancouver which would be a considerable disadvantage to education in a very short time. Ten more class rooms were wanted by August next. He wished to have machinery whereby the \$60,000 authorized by by-law for a gymnasium could be transferred for use in the manner he had named.

Mrs. Jenkins Agrees.
Mrs. Margaret Jenkins, of the Victoria Board, heartily concurred in this connection. She very much deprecated the spending of fairly substantial sums at frequent intervals on more or less temporary structures when monies were held by the Trustee under other authorities for structures of a permanent nature. That the creation of legislation amending Municipal law to the extent was necessary seemed to be the general belief of the delegation.

Financial Assistance.
The last matter dealt with was that of larger financial assistance from the Government. It was pointed out that as far as the City of Vancouver was concerned the Government's contribution in 1908 represented thirty-seven per cent. of the total outlay in Vancouver, the city, of course, paying the balance. In 1917 the Government's share had dwindled to twenty-six per cent. and with the prospect of an expenditure of \$100,000 in excess of 1917 during the present year, the delegation was anxious that the Province should help out on a fifty-fifty basis.

R. W. Perry was the other Victoria representative on the delegation.
Sanich School Board.—There is a meeting of the Sanich School Board in progress this afternoon at Tillicum School, the object in meeting there being to inspect the school grounds.

MANY SUGGESTIONS TO AID PRODUCTION

General Committee Hears Activities of Committees; and Makes Recommendations

Conflicting views were expressed at the increased Production meeting this morning on the question of water. Capt. Clarke's committee had recommended that during the growing season the water rate, above the household minimum, should be rebated fifty per cent., in other words the same privileges as given cultivators of vacant lots last season should be extended to gardens.

A number of speakers took part in the discussion, on its aspects of reduced revenue and difficulties of distribution owing to the limited main capacity in some parts of the city. Alderman Andros deprecated the obstacles put in the way of water-users. The motion passed, and will be forwarded to the City Council.

Committee Reports.
A report from the ploughing sub-committee, Alderman Sangster, chairman, showed that the receipts had been \$22.25 and the expenditure \$24.50. Ninety lots had been ploughed to date, and sixty-five remained to be ploughed. Between five and six acres had been cultivated at Beacon Hill Park, and there was also the land on the Reserve now under plough. Reports were also forthcoming on the harrowing and discing of lots.

Principal Smith reported on the publicity meeting at the High School, and stated that a future lecture would be arranged on infestations and pests.

Seed Committee.
Alderman Dinsdale reported for the seed sub-committee, showing that potatoes would be sold at two cents a pound, sweet corn seed at thirty cents per pound, beans at twenty cents per pound, whole fertilizer at \$3 per eighty-pound sack and lime at fifty cents per sack. The sales would be conducted through the Market Clerk. Orders to supply potatoes in bulk would be invited.

The meeting appointed through the chairman (Alderman Sargent), Supr. Purdy, W. N. Mitchell and Provincial Horticulturalist M. S. Middleton as the committee to prepare the prize list for the vacant lot gardens and the fall exhibition.

Dear Fish.
Mrs. Schofield urged that some steps should be taken to reduce the price of fish on the Pacific Coast, in view of the fact that fish from this coast was selling cheaper 1,000 miles away than here where it was caught.

A motion which she introduced to apply to the authorities on the subject was adopted.

Labor Question.
The labor situation was explained by G. Emery, on behalf of the Soldiers of the Soil movement, and Miss Perry on behalf of the movement to secure women workers for agricultural employment.

Captain Clarke carried through a motion favorable to the initiation of the Daylight Saving Act in British Columbia.

In this connection Principal A. G. Smith introduced a resolution to ask the Retail Merchants' Association to close the stores earlier during the summer months.

Capt. Gidley favored later starting in the morning in Victoria stores and there being a widespread division of opinion on the subject, the motion was defeated. Thereupon it was resolved to indicate to the Merchants' Association that their part in the campaign was welcomed in the readjustment of hours.

Charge Withdrawn.—The charge against Lee, a Flagg Street Chinaman, was withdrawn this morning. The information charged an assault on a white woman.

Fined Under Prohibition Act.—Strat George was fined \$50 for having liquor on the premises at the Greek Club, after the case had been heard in the City Police Court to-day.

Unslaked Lime Causes Fire.—The Fire Department to-day was called to the storeroom of the C. P. R., Belleville Street, where a barrel of unslaked lime had become heated and ignited waste material alongside. About \$50 damage was done. A similar fire occurred some months ago in the hold of the S. S. Tees.

Building Permits.—Building permits have been issued to the P. Burns Company for a smoke house, costing \$1,500, at the rear of the Store Street premises; for a frame shed for J. C. Hocking at 528 Toronto Street; for a frame garage at 1645 Pandora Avenue for R. Hands; and for two additional rooms to the residence at 1250 Balmoral Street.

Two Street Accidents.—Last evening Joseph Geill was knocked down by an automobile and hurt, at the corner of Quadra Street and Johnson Street. Friends at 923 View Street, where he lives, have asked the police to locate the driver. Mrs. Matthews, Mountain View Apartments, Busby Street, reports that her five-year-old boy was knocked down by a cyclist yesterday on Busby Street.

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LOT CONSCRIPTION STRONGLY ENDORSED

Large Majority of Increased Production Committee Favors Immediate Action

A lively discussion took place in the increased Production Committee this morning on a resolution introduced by J. W. Gibson, Director of Elementary Agricultural Education, in favor of the conscription of vacant lots.

In submitting the resolution Mr. Gibson admitted the difficulties which would have to be faced, and therefore he said the resolution confined itself to the principle, leaving to the Legislature the question of the best way in which to effect the desired end. He pointed to the growing opinion in various parts of the Province in favor of action by the House immediately.

Opposition Develops.
Joseph Drader, who has a large number of lots cultivated in the Spring Ridge section, contended that the measure was unnecessary, that he had had few refusals and more damage was done by stray dogs than any other class of offender. Personally he should object to cultivate lots which were not loaned to him freely.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Andrews both opposed the motion, the former stating that it was violating a fundamental principle of British jurisprudence. It only differed from the policy of the Bolsheviks in that it proposed to take the land for six months in the year, while the Russian Soviets would take it altogether. Why did they not first plan to cultivate the boulevards, parks, etc?

Germans at Odessa?
Mayor Todd said it was a war measure for war purposes only. If the Germans controlled the hinterland around Odessa and could only stare off peace till the harvest of 1918 was reaped, the hope of the Allies to starve the Germans into submission was gone. If they did not win the war he could assure Mr. Andrews those whose land was proposed to be taken would have to deal with very different masters when they came to protect their property. Sir William Henrat was introduced a measure into the Ontario Legislature for this purpose. In regard to cultivating the boulevards, few of them were fit for planting, apart from the legal position with property owners. The City was already cultivating the parks. The absentee owners did not merit so much attention if they refused to aid at this time.

Councillor Tanner and Municipal Clerk Cooper spoke from the experience of Saanich, endorsing action to secure power to deal with unoccupied subdivisions.

Motion Carries.
In answer to questions the secretary of the committee stated that of 350 applications made for lots, favorable replies had been received in about sixty per cent. of the cases.

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The funeral of the late John Wicks, who died at the Royal Jubilee Hospital on March 13, will be held from the Sands Funeral Chapel on Tuesday next at 2 o'clock. The late Mr. Wicks was born in England fifty-five years ago and had been a resident of Victoria for the past six years.

The death occurred at the Royal Jubilee Hospital on Thursday of William John Clarke at the age of seventy-two. He was a native of England and had been a resident of this city for the past two years. The funeral will take place from the Sands Chapel on Monday at 11 o'clock.

The remains of the late William John Jeffs, who died at the Royal Jubilee Hospital on Wednesday, were shipped by the Sands Funeral Chapel to Seattle yesterday afternoon for cremation. The late Mr. Jeffs was seventy-two years of age, an Englishman by birth, and had been a resident of this city for thirty years.

The death occurred at New Westminster on March 13 of James Blakes. The late Mr. Blakes was born in England nineteen years ago, and was a naval seaman by occupation. The remains will arrive here to-morrow morning and will be conveyed to the Sands Funeral Parlor. The funeral will take place on Monday at 1:30 o'clock from the Sands Chapel and at 2 o'clock at the church of the naval cemetery. The Rev. Dr. MacLean will officiate.

The death occurred at Seattle yesterday of Catherine H. Ray, relict of

Again Remanded.—R. J. Riley was remanded until Monday in the City Police Court to-day on a charge of fraudulently obtaining board at the Empress Hotel. A vagrancy charge was also remanded against George Kidd.

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March 17.—THE GREAT TRIBULATION

March 24.—CHRIST'S SECOND COMING

March 31.—THE MILLENNIUM

April 7.—THE FUTURE STATE

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PUSH ON WITH WAR, RAILWAYS SECONDLY

Mr. Bowser Could Not Support H. C. Hall's C. N. R. Resolution

TIME NOT OPPORTUNE: REASON MUST PREVAIL.

Legislative Press Gallery,

March 15.

So that he could the more properly and intelligently discuss the resolution anent the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway Company's defaulted covenants, introduced to the House and spoken to by H. C. Hall, the junior member for Victoria, yesterday afternoon, the Leader of the Opposition adjourned the debate until he had been afforded an opportunity of reading the complete substance of Mr. Hall's remarks in the morning paper. Mr. Bowser resumed the debate this afternoon when he informed the House that his due deliberation had brought him to the point where he found that he could not subscribe to the terms of the resolution.

Charity and Reason.

With the hands of the Dominion Government more or less tied by a huge financial problem arising from war finance, he regarded gratuitous suggestions as to what should or should not be done in the way of incurring expenditure of what, in the light of the world struggle, for the moment had to be placed in a secondary category, as quite a serious matter. Furthermore, and in view of the fact that this province was actually a creditor by shares as security of the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway Company, the passage of the resolution would be telling the Board of Arbitration now sitting that British Columbia's shares, in common with the rest, were valueless. And in general he wished to counsel the Legislature into a more charitable and reasonable view of the situation, as quite apart from a dignified attitude, towards which, after all was a matter now sub judice.

All in Due Time.

The Leader of the Opposition observed at the outset that he was naturally interested in the completion of the road both on Vancouver Island and on the mainland, but for the most part his remarks were largely devoted to a historical survey of the Canadian Northern enterprise in British Columbia and the benefits that would follow the completion of the various contemplated lines. While those benefits, however, would have to be waived for the present, he was of the opinion that the action of the Dominion Government in taking over the line was good news for British Columbia, because it suggested to him that, just as soon as the stress of actual war financing had passed, it would be to the advantage of the Dominion Government to see that the lines were completed so as to assist in a general expansion programme, and to act as an auxiliary force in the creation of business and revenue to meet the enormous post bellum liabilities.

Reason to Prevail.

Therefore, desirable as it might be to bring pressure to bear, as called for in Mr. Hall's resolution, the time to do it was not yet. The first duty of the Dominion Government was to provide its biggest possible share of one of the principle sinews of war. That being the case he urged the Legislature to exercise great care in the passing of resolutions which would mean the diversion of funds from essential war work to railway or other enterprises at this time. Reason had to prevail.

Infra Dig.

On another score the Leader of the Opposition was unable to support the resolution. It was infra dig for this Legislature or any other Legislature to tender superfluous advice to the Arbitration Board now in session and to tell them point blank that the shares of the Company were valueless. This House had not the right to come to that conclusion, because it was not in possession of the facts. The Board was sitting under the authority of the Federal Parliament with the object of de-

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termining their value and for that purpose every available source of information calculated to assist it to a proper estimate had been placed at its disposal. With the assumption, too, by the Dominion Government of the obligations of the Company there was effectively removed the bugbear of what might be termed the bankrupt railway company.

George Bell, member for Victoria, adjourned the debate.

"SOLDIERS OF SOIL" INTEREST STUDENTS AT THE HIGH SCHOOL

Mayor Todd and Other Addressed Pupils Yesterday Afternoon

If the volume of questions to which the subject gave rise is indicative of enthusiasm on the part of a student body, Victoria's enlistment in the "Soldiers of the Soil" will surpass all expectations.

In the auditorium of the High School yesterday afternoon over three hundred students listened to a comprehensive exposition of the Dominion movement to recruit 25,000 Canadian boys for work on the farms. The boys were addressed by Mayor Todd, J. Kyle, Director of Technical Education, Secretary Graham, of the Y. M. C. A., and H. A. Beckwith.

Touch All Phases.

The situation, which has given rise to the demand for the "Soldiers of the Soil," was fully reviewed by the Mayor. Mr. Kyle set forth the plan of organization adopted for the management of the boys in British Columbia, indicating that every step had been taken for guarding the welfare of the young farm hand. As a word of encouragement to those boys who might be diffident in joining the new army, Mr. Graham cited numerous cases of boys who had made the experiment in various parts of Canada last year, while Mr. Beckwith was bombarded with such a volley of questions at the conclusion of the meeting that he was compelled on numerous occasions to solicit some of Mr. Kyle's reserve information.

The boys at the close received copies of the "Soldiers of the Soil" announcement issued by the Dominion Food Board to the parents. Principal Alexander Smith, who presided, advised the students to discuss the question fully at home during the coming week-end and that they will be in a position to decide whether they would register during the week of March 17, when all enlistments will take place.

Mayor Todd Speaks.

In urging upon the students the necessity of giving the "Soldiers of the Soil" movement their fullest support, Mayor Todd reviewed briefly the food situation in its relation to the Allied Powers. He called attention to the ever-increasing demand for foodstuffs in Great Britain, France and Italy, countries which prior to the war had imported largely the products which they consumed. Their output of food had been largely affected by the struggle and the responsibility of supplying the much-needed grain, beef and bacon now rested with the dominions: Canada, Australia and New Zealand, and the allied republic, the United States. Canada in her position of proximity to the United Kingdom naturally received a greater share of the responsibility.

In the Speaker's estimation it was a lamentable thing that Canada had not performed her full share of duty with regard to the food question. In men she had done nobly. Many of her sons had gone to fight, others were engaged in the manufacture of munitions or the construction of ships. It remained for the boy to do what he could on the farm.

Explains Organization.

Mr. Kyle asked the student body to remember that in considering the question of the "Soldiers of the Soil" it was dealing with a big, serious problem. In entering the ranks of those who were to aid production they were not setting out on a picnic. It was essential they should recognize what was before them. The Speaker pictured many of the charms of rural life, but reminded his audience that these merely tempered the real work. He cautioned the boys not to form too high an estimate of their value to the farmer; to remember that strong men had offered their services and even their lives at \$1.10 a

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